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City housing prices rise: Realty report

SURVEY Ottawa housing prices have gone up, likely thanks to first-time homebuyers taking advantage of record-low lending rates, according to a quarterly Royal LePage House Price Survey released Wednesday.

Although prices across the board increased, condo markets are showing the highest growth, with the average price of condominiums rising 4.9 per cent to $207,833 compared to the same period in 2008, where the average condominium sold for $198,083. Prices also increased for standard two-storey homes and detached bungalows, rising an average of 2.8 per cent year-over-year to $318,500 and 1.9 per cent to $317,500 respectively.

"We saw aggressive movement in properties priced at and below $300,000," said Pierre de Varennes, broker owner with Royal LePage Performance Realty in Ottawa. "Affordable product is selling and drawing multiple offers."

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Ottawa Senators owner Eugene Melnyk, centre, is all smiles as he introduces Cory Clouston, right, as the team's new head coach during an announcement with Senators general manager Bryan Murray, left, at Scotiabank Place Wednesday.

Clouston signs 2-yr deal

Interim coach has 'passion' to lead Senators, says Melnyk

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A lot of people get skeptical when you bring in a rookie coach and throw him into the fire and get him to fix what's wrong, Ottawa Senators owner Eugene Melnyk said Wednesday.

But "it speaks to character and personality, that someone is willing to step up to the plate," he said.

And according to Melnyk, Cory Clouston has shown both.

Melnyk, along with general manager Bryan Murray, announced at Scotiabank Place that Clouston — who has been the team's interim head coach since Feb. 2 — has signed a two-year contract extension as the team's head coach.

The contract runs through the 2010-11 season.

"The true colours of the team have shown over the last 30 or so games," said Clouston. "What we've accomplished here shows what we can expect next year."

Melnyk, too, was confident in the team's prospects next year.

"I think you will see a team next year that's in a fighting mood," said Melnyk.

When asked if he was worried about having a rookie coach, Melnyk said he recognizes it's not a traditional move, and that's why he likes it. If you don't take risks, you miss out on the chance to succeed, he said.

"Anyone who doesn't take risks is just going to be mediocre," he said. "This is outside the box and it does work. I'll put up anyone who has experience with someone who has passion."

For Clouston, signing a contract with the Senators was a no-brainer.

"I wanted the opportunity to continue what we had started," he said.

"We may not be in the playoffs, but we belong there," said Clouston.

Murray agreed.

"I think we're a contender right now," he said.

Clouston, 39, replaced Craig Hartsburg on Feb. 2. In 32 games as Ottawa's head coach, Clouston has posted a record of 19-10-3, accumulating 41 points.

Clouston is the ninth head coach in Senators history, counting Roger Neilson's two games in the 2001-02 season and Bryan Murray's 18 games to complete the 2007-08 season.

Off ice

- The Sens' season ends Saturday, against the Toronto Maple Leafs at Toronto's Air Canada Centre.

Quebec's finance minister resigns

POLITICS Quebec Finance Minister Monique Jerome-Forget announced Wednesday that she was resigning and would leave politics, less than a month after bringing down the province's first major deficit budget in more than a decade.

Jerome-Forget

Jerome-Forget — who had been in the job for two years — came under heavy pressure earlier this year over record losses at Caisse de depot et placement du Quebec, Canada's biggest pension fund manager.

"I am leaving in a calm manner. I will rediscover my family, my grandchildren, my daughter, my husband — all the people I love dearly and who have supported me," she told a televised news conference in Quebec City.

Premier Jean Charest quickly appointed Economic Development Minister Raymond Bachand, a former separatist, to replace her, Quebec media reported.

The province's Liberal government said last month that the worsening global crisis meant it would run budget deficits for the next four years. Critics accused Jerome-Forget of not doing enough to cope with the recession. REUTERS

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Three Ottawa schools named tops in the province
The fifth annual Garfield Weston Awards for Excellence in Education named three Ottawa-area elementary schools as some of the best in the province. The schools include Lady Evelyn Alternative School, L'Étoile-de-l'Est and Katimavik Elementary School. METRO OTTAWA

Local

Telethon logo unveiled

The countdown to the 2009 Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario telethon kicked off Wednesday with the unveiling of a new logo for the campaign. Created by Gloucester High School Grade 9 student Neecha Klee, 15, the logo depicting a stitched teddy bear holding a stuffed little girl will appear on all telethon merchandise and advertising. METRO OTTAWA

600 Tamils protest civil war

Demonstrators calls on Canadian government to demand ceasefire

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For the second day, pro-Tamil protestors blocked traffic in front of Parliament Hill Wednesday, and bigger demonstrations are planned for the weekend.

More than 600 people waving Canadian and Tamil flags held an afternoon sit-in on Wellington Street, and called on the Canadian government to force a ceasefire in a decades-long civil war in Sri Lanka.

Similar demonstrations were held around the world, urging the international community to do something.

"We are sorry to be blocking the streets in Ottawa, but we don't have a choice," said Siva Kangsundarm, a Tamil living in Toronto. "Our people, our family is dying every day and nobody is listening."

Wellington Street was closed for most of the evening between Elgin and O'Connor streets.

Ottawa police Const. J.P. Vincelette said police are doing everything they can to facilitate a peaceful demonstration.

The demonstrations were sparked by intensification in the fighting in what government forces say is a final push to end the conflict.

Suvathika Arunthavaselvan, a student from Oshawa attending the demonstration, said the demonstrators were willing to continue their protests until they get an answer from the federal government.

"We're here because we want the Canadian government to stand up and demand an immediate ceasefire right now, and a permanent one," she said.

The Canadian government has listed the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam as a terrorist organization.

While she said most Tamils don't agree with the designation, Arunthavaselvan said the people are only asking that the international community enforce a ceasefire.

"We don't want anyone to die anymore. We want a permanent ceasefire now," she said.

TIM WIECLAWSKI/METRO OTTAWA

Protestors blocked traffic on Wellington Street in front of Parliament Hill Wednesday for the second day of the protest in downtown Ottawa.

Infrastructure desires for city unchanged

FUNDS Aside from more funds for social housing infrastructure for Ottawa Community Housing and a few more recreation projects, the city's priority list of ready-to-go infrastructure projects will pass to Queen's Park unchanged from the list presented last month.

On Wednesday, city council unanimously approved the prioritized list of nearly $500 million in infrastructure projects, $137 million in social housing improvements, $58 million in recreation infrastructure and around $30 million in cultural initiatives.

Topping the infrastructure list are projects from the first phase of the rapid transit plan — extending the southwest Transitway from Fallowfield to Barrhaven, a tunnel at Baseline Station and pedestrian walkway over Woodroffe Avenue.

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Easter not just about bunnies and egg hunts

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"Easter is the queen of the festivals, so to speak."
Very Rev. Shane Parker

RELIGION Commemorating Easter doesn't have anything to do with bunnies and egg hunts at the Christ Church Cathedral this long weekend.

With various services — both solemn and festive — on the schedule, the Very Rev. Shane Parker, the Dean of Ottawa, will certainly have his hands full with the 800-seat cathedral filled to capacity.

"Easter is the queen of the festivals, so to speak," said Parker, who has been a reverend in Ottawa for 10 years.

The services begin on Thursday with the "commemoration of the Last Supper.

"It's a very important celebration," Parker said. "On Good Friday, we remember and commemorate the crucifixion of Christ. On Holy Saturday night, we have a vigil where we light the Easter candle. Of course, on Sunday, we have the celebration of the resurrection of Christ."

The church celebrates with three separate Sunday services for the "joy of resurrection by pulling out all the stops," said Parker.

Condos push housing starts up

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Suburbs

- Last year's popular suburban markets of Goulbourn, Kanata and Nepean declined this year, as first-time buyers were more cautious about buying new single-detached homes.

CONSTRUCTION Housing starts are up in Ottawa, and new condo apartments are driving the growth, the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation said Wednesday.

According to the organization, total housing starts in the Ottawa Census Metropolitan Area increased to 361 units compared to 351 in March 2008, for a year-over-year growth rate of 2.8 per cent.

The biggest reason for the growth last month was condominium apartment construction.

"As construction activity realigns with economic and demographic fundamentals, the current trend favouring higher-density dwellings will be the main driver of Ottawa's new home market in 2009," said CMHC senior market analyst Sandra Pérez Torres.

In the capital's downtown core, construction on two new condominium apartment buildings added 122 units — or 34 per cent — to the city's total.

Aside from downtown, the other area seeing the biggest growth was Cumberland, with a mix of single-detached homes and townhomes.

Gloucester and the downtown core registered 45 and 33 per cent growth respectively from 2008, a large majority being apartments and townhomes.

During the first quarter of 2009, the overall trend in Ottawa's new home market remained favourable toward submarkets closer to the core with heavier shares of higher-density construction projects, CMHC said.

While the year-to-date starts is still 22 per cent below the record set in 2008, the present pace of construction remains healthy and consistent with CMHC's forecast, Pérez Torres said.

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What's online today.

Video London police face questions over man's death at G20 protest after troubling video released at **metronews.ca/world**

Video Next 48 hours "crucial" for Manitoba as Red River rises at **metronews.ca/canada**

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French film festival to be held at ByTowne Cinema
The French Embassy and the Department of Canadian Heritage are hosting the film festival Divercine, a World View de la Francophonie at the ByTowne Cinema from April 17-23. Films will be screened in French or with French subtitles. METRO OTTAWA

Photo buffs to focus on new museum

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The photographic arts community will have a say in the future of the Canadian Museum of Contemporary Photography.

The National Gallery of Canada's board of trustees has instructed staff to consult with the photographic community across Canada on the long-term future of its affiliate, the Canadian Museum of Contemporary Photography.

Last month, the board approved the permanent move of the CMCP to the main gallery facility at 380 Sussex Dr. The CMCP collection — which consists of more than 17,700 photographic works and 144,000 negatives and transparencies — was previously located at a leased facility at 1 Rideau Canal.

"The gallery decided that the CMCP should not return to its sub-grade leased space for environmental reasons," said NGC director Marc Mayer.

Public appeal for help

Legal fees mount for man who opposes parole office

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A Centretown resident who has been fighting to have a downtown parole office moved away from a nearby elementary school is appealing for help after the owners of the property sued him for $3.8 million.

Albert Galpin, co-chair of the parent council of the Elgin Street School, where two of his children attend classes, had been one of the leaders in a fight to have the parole office moved from its location across from the school since it opened in September 2004.

As a result of his efforts, the owner of the building where the parole office is located issued the lawsuit against Galpin for loss of future income, which has already cost nearly $6,000 in legal fees.

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Albert Galpin is co-chair of the Elgin Street School parent council.

"I've been trying to take a low-key approach to all of this, but now that all the bills are piling up, I've had to go public," he said. "What I really hope is that the landlord does the right thing and withdraws this claim, because all we are trying to do is protect our children."

On Wednesday, city council passed a motion asking The Correctional Service of Canada to limit potential sites for the new office to the business section of downtown.

Anyone who wishes to help can make a direct deposit to the Galpin Legal Defence Fund at any TD Canada Trust branch (account No. 02975212083).

Woman charged with fraud

Police charged a 59-year-old woman Wednesday with fraud after a live-in caregiver sought work in exchange for accommodation.

Within days of beginning a job caring for an elderly man, staff at the victim's financial institution alerted the victim's family of suspicious activity relating to the senior's bank account, including an attempt to obtain a power of attorney position overseeing the elderly man's finances.

Police said the woman was circulating the ad under the pseudonym Carilyn Chrisante.

Carolyn Woods faces one count of fraud not exceeding $5,000.

Unfortunately, elder abuse is underreported, said Ottawa police Staff Sgt. John McGetrick.

"It's actually quite shocking, the elder abuse that goes on in this community."

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News in brief

SPRINKLERS Residential fire sprinklers could become mandatory for new homes in Ottawa. On Wednesday, city council endorsed a provincial bill that would allow municipalities to make sprinkler systems mandatory. Ottawa Fire Services Deputy Chief Bruce Montone argued that the combination of working smoke alarms and sprinkler systems would reduce the number of fire fatalities in Ottawa by at least 80 per cent. Montone said there has never been a report of a fire fatality in a residence that had both working properly.

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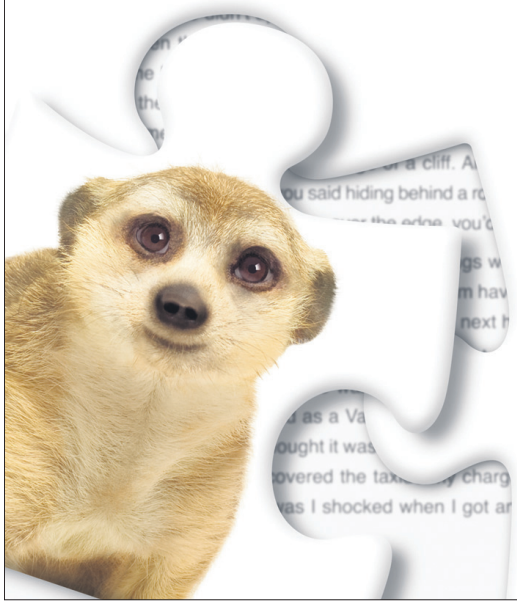

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Manitoba opens floodway

Manitoba has activated the Red River Floodway. Officials had said the flood diversion channel wouldn't be used until all of the ice was off the Red River near the floodway gates south of Winnipeg. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada

Chopper crash to be probed

A government regulator that manages the offshore oil industry near Newfoundland said Wednesday it will investigate a helicopter crash that killed 17 people last month. The Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board said in a brief statement it will "establish an inquiry into worker safety associated with the recent helicopter incident in the Newfoundland and Labrador offshore area." CBC NEWS ONLINE

CBC wants slice of fund for local newscasts

BROADCASTING The cash-strapped CBC, struggling with layoffs and cuts to regional programming, wants a slice of any government funding meant to rescue local newscasts of struggling private broadcasters.

The public broadcaster, facing a $170-million shortfall, pledged to invest any new government cash into local coverage — the very kind of programming Conservatives are looking to save with a proposed $150-million fund.

"It's an extremely difficult situation for us." Marco Dubé, CBC

"It's an extremely difficult situation for us ... we would welcome any immediate financial support from government if it were to strengthen our regional presence," said Marco Dubé, director of media relations and issues management for CBC/Radio-Canada.

"If there was on a hypothetical basis new money we would be glad to reinvest," Dubé said yesterday.

And CBC found support yesterday from advocates, politicians and onscreen performers who demanded the federal Conservatives not limit their bailout package to the private sector. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Activists aim at Shell

Coalition claims oil giant broke agreement to cut output of GHGs

Canadian environmental groups asked regulators Wednesday to rescind approvals for part of a $13.7-billion expansion of Royal Dutch Shell Plc's oilsands project, alleging the company backed off promises to cut greenhouse gas emissions.

The Oil Sands Environmental Coalition — which includes the Pembina Institute, the Toxics Watch Society of Alberta and the Fort McMurray Environmental Association — say Shell has broken an agreement to significantly cut the output of greenhouse gases (GHG) such as carbon dioxide from an expansion of its Muskeg River and Jackpine oilsands mines in northern Alberta.

The coalition is asking the Canadian government and Alberta's Energy Resources Conservation Board, who jointly approved the project, to reconsider their ruling through a new public hearing because Shell's promise was a factor in the decision.

Cost of oilsands

- Canada's oilsands have the largest reserves outside the Middle East. However, separating the tar-like bitumen from sand and soil and upgrading it into refinery-ready synthetic crude is more energy intensive and emits more carbon dioxide than conventional oil production.

"Shell has broken a binding agreement," said Simon Dyer, oilsands program director at the Pembina Institute. Regulators "can reopen those approvals given that Shell has clearly reneged on its commitment."

The groups claim Shell agreed to come up with specific targets for cuts to greenhouse gas emissions at the mine sites. Instead, they say the company told them it will not quantify its GHG cuts, deciding instead to wait for the government to come up with regulations on emissions. **REUTERS**

Tories losing ground on Grits

SURVEY A third national poll has given Canada's opposition Liberals a slight lead over the recently re-elected Conservatives who are fighting to maintain support during the current recession.

The Strategic Counsel poll, issued Wednesday by the Globe and Mail newspaper, has the Liberals at 34 per cent and the Conservatives at 32 per cent. Two polls issued in late March had put the Liberals one to three points ahead. "A recession is a bad backdrop for a government in office," a former Liberal spokesman said. **REUTERS**

Moncton **Catch a wave**

ANDY CLARK/REUTERS

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and New Brunswick Premier Shawn Graham raise their arms during a human wave at the World Men's Curling Championships in Moncton, N.B., Wednesday. Harper was working with the premier on plans for the province's scenic Fundy Trail.

Canadians oppose auto biz loans: Poll

ECONOMY Most Canadians are opposed to giving taxpayer-funded loans to the troubled auto industry and believe North American companies should go under if they can't compete, according to an Angus Reid/Toronto Star poll released yesterday.

Fifty-one per cent disagree with the decision by the federal and Ontario governments to commit $4 billion in short-term loans to General Motors of Canada Ltd. and Chrysler Canada Inc. And 63 per cent believe these companies should declare bankruptcy if they can't make a go of it in the global auto market.

Ottawa and Queen's Park have said interim loans of $3 billion for GM Canada Limited and $1 billion for Chrysler Canada will be advanced as necessary to assist the companies while they work on their restructuring plans.

In Ontario, where auto is king, respondents are clearly split on the government assistance, with 46 per cent in favour and 48 per cent against.

The survey further shows that almost half or 48 per cent of Canadians believe the struggling automakers have received enough money and shouldn't get a dime more.

Between April 3 and 4, 1,002 Canadian were surveyed.

The margin of error is plus or minus 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Alberta won't rule out tax hikes
Alberta's finance minister refused Wednesday to rule out tax hikes to shore up the books if energy and financial markets stay depressed. REUTERS

Canadian economy bleeding more jobs

55,000 jobs expected to be lost in March

Canada's economy likely suffered its fifth month of heavy job losses in March, which will jack up the unemployment rate to the highest in seven years.

"The expectation would be that service sector that ballooned up at such a terrific rate, needs to right-size itself as well."
Stewart Hall, markets strategist, HSBC Canada

The median forecast of analysts surveyed by Reuters was for 55,000 job losses last month, which would bring total job losses since November to 350,000. That would be the worst back-to-back decline in employment since the 1982 recession although overall job losses were bigger over the course of the downturn of the 1990s.

Analysts expect a March unemployment rate of eight per cent, up from 7.7 per cent in February.

Canada's economy is now expected to have shrunk at its fastest pace on record in the first quarter, surpassing the annualized 5.9 per cent decline in the first quarter of 1991.

Weakening global demand for goods has caused huge job losses in the manufacturing sector for some time. But services, which were a "jobs-generating juggernaut" through 2006 and 2007 and added nearly 100,000 posts last year, will now start hurting too, said Stewart Hall, markets strategist at HSBC Canada.

"The expectation would be that service sector that ballooned up at such a terrific rate, needs to right-size itself as well," Hall said.

The services sector shed jobs in the first two months of this year and had 45,000 fewer workers on payrolls in February than a year earlier. Job losses in the goods-producing sector were over three times as big.

Economists see a significant risk that the job numbers will be worse than consensus, a familiar pattern recently, which could lead to a weakening of the Canadian dollar.

BMO Capital Markets forecasts 90,000 fewer jobs in March and its deputy chief economist Doug Porter says Canada has some catching up to do to match the U.S. job data in March. REUTERS

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Slain girls' funeral
More than 500 gathered in Laval, Que., for the funeral of two girls slain last week. Their mother is charged with first-degree murder. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada 'way ahead' of G20 nations: PM

Conservatives pressured on infrastructure money

Canada is "way ahead" of other G20 nations in putting its stimulus cash to work creating jobs and easing the economic downturn, Prime Minister Stephen Harper says.

Harper made the boast on a day when the federal government pledged $9.2 million to improve the marina in Oshawa, Ont.; $400 million in upgrades to federal buildings and $5 million for a New Brunswick highway project.

"A lot of other countries are announcing stimulus budgets and I'm not saying anything against them but I think a lot of them are less advanced and a lot less certain of how they're actually going to get the money out quickly than we are in Canada," Harper said yesterday.

> **"We want to make sure we are putting people to work in this construction season."**
> Stephen Harper

The prime minister, who met with G20 leaders last week in London to discuss the economic crisis, said he expects Canada will be able to roll out its own spending faster thanks to co-operation with other levels of government and moves to streamline paperwork.

"We want to make sure we are putting people to work in this construction season," said Harper, during a stop in Moncton, N.B.

"The federal government has been cutting all kinds of red tape in terms of approval processes. We are determined to show Canadians that we are in fact getting to work," he said.

But with the construction season now poised to begin in earnest, the Conservatives, accused by the opposition of dragging their feet to cope with the crisis, are under the gun to make the $12 billion in infrastructure cash promised in the Jan. 27 budget a reality. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Aecon wins $181M tunnel contract

CONSTRUCTION Aecon Group Inc. said Wednesday that its joint venture with two other builders has won a $181-million contract to complete water tunnels in Vancouver.

Aecon, Canada's biggest publicly traded construction and infrastructure company, is a 30 per cent partner in the venture with Frontier-Kemper Constructors and J.F. Shea Construction.

Work to build the final section of a twin tunnel water-supply route from a pumping station to a filtration plant begins immediately, with completion seen in late 2012 or early 2013.

Aecon, which recently offered $220 million to buy Lockerbie & Hole Inc. to bolster its business in Western Canada, said this project helps meet that growth objective.

"This project is meaningful for Aecon both because of its size and also evidence that the company is succeeding in expanding its heavy civil construction business into Western Canada," Paradigm Capital analyst Corey Hammill said in a note.

"We expect to begin to see an increase in bid activity over the coming months as monies recently pledged during federal and provincial budgets begins to be allocated." **REUTERS**

Problems outlined at First Nations inquest

DEATHS The chief of the Kashechewan First Nation painted a picture of a community in pain — albeit one that is trying desperately to turn things around — at an inquest yesterday into the deaths of two young men on the reserve in 2006.

Chief Jonathon Solomon said life is full of incredible hardships in Kashechewan, where many suffer from alcoholism. One-third of the community has diabetes, a disease the chief describes as an "epidemic." What's more, unemployment is at 80 per cent, with many living on social assistance, he said. There is no hospital or detox centre on the reserve, only a nursing station.

Ricardo Wesley, 22, and Jamie Goodwin, 20, who had been arrested for intoxication, died in their cells on Jan. 8, 2006, in the Nishnawbe-Aski police detachment after a fire broke out and engulfed the jail. In 2006 the detachment had no fire alarm, no fire extinguisher and no smoke detectors. Nor did the reserve have a fire station or a firefighting force and the reserve's fire truck sat broken in a junkyard area beside the airstrip.

The community of 1,600 has had a long history of trauma, Solomon said. Like many First Nations people, many residents of Kashechewan are dealing with the leftover pain from sexual assault and abuse at residential schools. There are high suicide rates and drug abuse, as well as the aftermath of an E. coli outbreak in 2005. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Grim realities

- The population is growing at an annual rate of four per cent, there isn't enough housing and the number of police officers is insufficient, Solomon said. The high cost of food — something as basic as three litres of milk costs $14 — has contributed to the rise of diabetes and obesity, he said.

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Cash to promote Ontario food
Premier Dalton McGuinty announced $24 million will be spent over three years promoting Ontario-grown food. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

PM returns fire

Harper says Ignatieff lacks 'moral compass'

Prime Minister Stephen Harper went from defending his government's handling of the Brian Mulroney affair to angrily accusing Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff of having no moral values on Wednesday.

Harper was in the midst of praising his government's decision to hold an inquiry into Mulroney's business dealings when he suddenly lashed out at Ignatieff, who has been chiding Harper for his lack of respect for the former Progressive Conservative prime minister.

"I think Canadians understand the government has taken a matter that is very difficult for ourselves, for our party and handled it responsibly," Harper said while in Moncton for an infrastructure funding announcement.

It was the first time that Harper has spoken publicly about the apparent rift in his caucus, arising out of the fact that Mulroney has essentially been declared persona non grata by the government.

Harper reminded reporters it was Mulroney who asked for an inquiry to clear his name.

"I think what Canadians will see is when it comes to a very difficult issue of government conduct and government ethics, this government has behaved responsibly and the other party leader (Ignatieff) has absolutely no moral compass when it comes to dealing with this kind of a matter," he said.

Ignatieff brushed Harper's comments off as "nonsense" from a prime minister under fire from his own caucus.

"This is nonsense from a PM who is clearly frustrated that his ill-conceived strategy to distance his party from Mulroney is experiencing severe blowback within his caucus. We are completely in support of the inquiry," Ignatieff said.

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Inquiry

- Brian Mulroney is at the centre of an inquiry looking into the business dealings between the former prime minister and German-Canadian businessman Karlheinz Schreiber.

Province lacks funds to pay GM pensioners

SAFETY NET There is not enough money in Ontario's pension plan safety net to support GM pensioners if the company goes bankrupt, Premier Dalton McGuinty warned Wednesday.

"The money available in that is very, very modest," McGuinty said, noting the Pension Benefits Guarantee Fund totals about $100 million — not nearly enough to cover the billions of dollars involved in the automaker's pensions.

"That comes nowhere near meeting any liabilities — for example, for the auto sector alone, to say nothing of all the other sectors," McGuinty told reporters.

Nevertheless, he said Ontario has a "a political and moral responsibility, particularly to older pensioners who worked in the industry and played by all the rules (and) made their investments in their own pension plans."

But McGuinty said topping up the safety net may not be an option.

Since 1980, the pension fund has provided retirees with up to $1,000 a month in the event a pension plan fails to provide its full benefit, or any at all.

Experts warned in February that the unique safety net was teetering on the edge of being wiped out and could fold if a large corporation were to go under.

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Nova Scotia **Trudeau speaks**

JEFF HARPER/FOR METRO CANADA

Justin Trudeau speaks to students at Auburn Driver High School in Cole Harbour, N.S., Wednesday. The MP for Papineau joined Dartmouth-Cole Harbour MP Mike Savage in speaking to an auditorium packed with students. He was in Halifax to help at a fundraiser for provincial Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil.

Vancouver complains about media focus on its gang wars

OLYMPICS Vancouver is crying foul over unfavourable international media coverage about a gang war under way in the Canadian city, which will host the 2010 Winter Olympics.

The violence level, while low by the standards of many cities, has nonetheless become a public relations nightmare for government and tourism officials who routinely trumpet Vancouver as one of the world's most livable cities.

The metropolitan area, with a population of about 2.1 million, has had more than 20 gang-related murders since mid-January, but Vancouver Chief Const. Jim Chu said on Wednesday the homicide rate is still far below that of major U.S. cities.

"They should first look in their own backyards in terms of per-capita homicide rates and the violence they have in their cities," Chu told reporters when asked about articles that have appeared in newspapers outside of Canada.

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Georgian opposition rallies thousands of anti-presidential protesters
The government of Georgia and the Georgian Orthodox Church appealed for calm Wednesday as the opposition prepared demonstrations to demand the resignation of President Mikheil Saakashvili. The opposition expects to bring tens of thousands into the streets of capital Tbilisi Thursday. REUTERS

World

Clinton concerned

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said Wednesday she was very concerned by news of espionage charges filed by Iran against Iranian-American journalist Roxana Saberi and demanded her immediate release. REUTERS

Thousands protest Thai PM

Thai Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva insisted Wednesday that an Asian summit, postponed once already, would go ahead in Thailand this week despite a mass rally in Bangkok by protestors intent on toppling him.

Police said 100,000 demonstrators, supporters of ousted former premier Thaksin Shinawatra, were at Government House and the nearby Royal Plaza by the evening, more than during the day but still far fewer than the 300,000 organizers had promised.

No clashes were reported, although fears of violence fed rumours that a meeting of leaders of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and other Asian countries starting on Friday would be cancelled or moved.

The meeting was postponed late last year because of political unrest when a pro-Thaksin government was in power, and Abhisit's administration has billed the rescheduled event as a sign Thailand was getting back to normal.

Thaksin was toppled in a coup in 2006 and is in self-imposed exile, but his absence has not healed the divisions between the royalist and business elite, who accused him of corruption, and the poor who benefited from his populist policies. REUTERS

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Supporters of former Thai Prime Minister Thaksin paint their bodies during a rally in Bangkok Wednesday. Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva said Wednesday an Asian summit would go ahead as planned in Thailand this week as demonstrators gathered with the intention of toppling him.

Mourning, burials begin for victims of Italy quake

ABRUZZO Italy prepared Wednesday to begin burying some of the 272 people killed in medieval towns flattened by a quake, while rescuers stalled by aftershocks hunted for people buried alive in rubble.

A mass state funeral for the victims and a national day of mourning are expected to be held on Friday, although the first two private services were due Wednesday.

The death toll climbed to 272 after rescuers pulled more bodies from the rubble and Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi said in total 28,000 had lost their homes, with 17,000 now living in tents and the rest in free hotel rooms or staying with family.

Pope's message

- Pope Benedict said Wednesday he intended to visit the victims of Italy's earthquake soon, and praised the generosity shown by Italians: "This solidarity is important in order to overcome such difficult trials," he said.

Aftershocks from Italy's worst quake in three decades lasted until early Thursday local time in mountainous Abruzzo. A 5.6-magnitude shock, the strongest, late on Wednesday toppled parts of the basilica and station in the city of L'Aquila, which bore the brunt of the disaster, and claimed one more victim. REUTERS

Electrical grid in U.S. hacked by spies: Report

HACKING Cyberspies have penetrated the U.S. electrical grid and left behind software programs that could be used to disrupt the system, the Wall Street Journal said Wednesday.

The spies came from China, Russia and other countries, and were believed to be trying to navigate the U.S. electrical system and its controls, the paper said, citing U.S. national security officials. REUTERS

Watchdog takes over inquiry in G20 protest death

LONDON An independent British police watchdog said Wednesday it was taking over the inquiry into the death of a man during anti-G20 protests in London last week, and had requested a second post mortem examination.

The inquiry had been in the hands of the City of London police but the Independent Police Complaints Commission stepped in after footage emerged showing a policeman from the City of London police push the man to the ground. The man, 47-year-old newspaper seller Ian Tomlinson, was on his way home from work when he was caught up in a confrontation between police and anti-capitalist protesters on April 1. REUTERS

News in brief

IRAN One of Shi'ite Islam's highest authorities praised Wednesday the "sincerity" of U.S. President Barack Obama's message to the Muslim world. Grand Ayatollah Sayyed Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah said Obama would be judged on his actions, and he urged Obama to rethink policy on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. REUTERS

Crew regains control of pirate-hijacked freighter

INDIAN OCEAN The crew of a U.S.-flagged, Danish-owned ship hijacked by pirates off Somalia retook control of the freighter Wednesday but their captain was still held hostage on a lifeboat, a crew member said.

The crew of 20 Americans was in control of the ship and was trying to negotiate its captain's release while waiting for a U.S. warship to arrive, second mate Ken Quinn told CNN.

The ship's operator, Maersk Line Ltd, confirmed that the U.S. crew had regained control of the 17,000-tonne Maersk Alabama after the pirates left the ship with one hostage.

Maritime officials said the Maersk Alabama was carrying food aid for Somalia and Uganda to from Djibouti to Mombasa, a Kenyan port, when it was seized in the Indian Ocean.

A Pentagon spokeswoman, Army Lt.-Col. Elizabeth Hibner, said the U.S. Navy destroyer Bainbridge was en route. REUTERS

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Leaders more likely to have kids by 39: Study

Born leaders may be more likely to have children than people who prefer to be led, according to a Finnish study. Researchers found that among Finnish adults in a long-term health study, those who'd scored high on a "leadership" scale as teenagers were more likely than low scorers to have a child by the age of 39. REUTERS

12 arrested in U.K. terrorism raids, despite security snafu

LONDON Police arrested 12 men in counter-terrorism raids across northwest England Wednesday hours after a security blunder by a top police officer.

The afternoon raids involving several hundred officers took place after Britain's most senior counter-terrorism officer was photographed carrying a document detailing plans for the arrests.

British media said the raids were brought forward because of the potential security breach by Scotland Yard's Assistant Commissioner Bob Quick.

The document said 11 people, from a teenager to a 41-year-old man, were targeted for arrest, 10 of them Pakistan nationals in Britain on student visas, and one British.

Quick was photographed with the document, labelled "secret," outside Prime Minister Gordon Brown's London offices. REUTERS

Afghanistan **Karzai to review law**

AHMAD MASOOD/REUTERS

An Afghan woman looks at the shoes for sale on the edge of the Kabul river Wednesday. Afghan President Hamid Karzai promised Wednesday to review a new law governing Shi'ite Muslim families. The United Nations, NATO and several Western nations voiced concern over the law after some portions were seen to infringe on women's rights and even legalize marital rape.

News in brief

IRAQ A roadside bomb in the Shi'ite Kadhimiya district in Baghdad killed seven and wounded 23 Wednesday, police said. The blast bore the marks of Sunni Islamist al-Qaida, which considers Iraq's Shi'ites heretics and often attacks its religious sites. REUTERS

Brazilian government shuts down 13 illegal loggers in Amazon rainforest

BRAZIL Environmental police seized 400 truckloads of wood in a major raid on illegal loggers, the government said Wednesday.

During the surprise raid 120 miles east of Belem city, police shut down 13 logging companies and sawmills, and seized tractors, guns, and ammunition. The crackdown is the latest in a government plan to reduce destruction of the Amazon forest by 50 per cent. REUTERS

N. Korea fetes missile launch

Warns against search for debris

Shouting soldiers at a mass rally Wednesdsay celebrated North Korea's defiant launch of a rocket, while Russia's foreign minister said any new punishment for Pyongyang could be counter-productive.

The U.S., Japan and South Korea said the launch on Sunday was a disguised test of a long-range missile designed to carry warheads to U.S. territory and deserves punishment because it violated UN resolutions.

North Korea warned the UN Security Council on Tuesday that it would take "strong steps" if the 15-nation body took any action in response to the launch. Wednesday it gathered its top communist and military officials for a celebration of the launch broadcast on its state TV and monitored in Seoul.

The reclusive state has threatened to boycott nuclear disarmament talks and restart its plant that makes bomb-grade plutonium if it is punished by the United Nations. It also warned of military action if anyone tries to retrieve debris from the rocket.

North Korea said it had the right to deploy a satellite as a part of a peaceful space program. U.S. and South Korean officials no satellite was deployed during its flight over Japan. REUTERS

Sanctions debate

- The U.S. and Japan would like a resolution that expands existing financial sanctions on Pyongyang.
- China and Russia would probably accept a UN warning to Pyongyang urging it to comply with its resolutions, but Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said the threat of sanctions against North Korea was "counter-productive".

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Military gives Tamil Tigers final ultimatum
After a three-day battle in which Sri Lanka's military said it killed more than 500 Tamil Tiger rebels, the military on Wednesday broadcast a final surrender offer to Tamil Tigers surrounded in a tiny strip of coast, urging them drop their guns and free tens of thousands of civilians or be destroyed. REUTERS

Touchdown **Space tourist back**

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A medic measures the blood pressure of U.S. billionaire space tourist Charles Simonyi as his wife, Lisa Persdotter, left, smiles after he returned from the International Space Station in a Russian Souyz TMA-13 space capsule, in the Kazakh steppe, Wednesday. Space Adventures, a U.S. firm arranging tourist flights, said it was open for more business despite the economic crisis and a lack of confirmed flight opportunities.

News in brief

CHINA Angry Chinese petitioners descended on Beijing University Wednesday, protesting against comments by a prominent psychiatrist who branded them mentally ill. Sun Dongdong, head of the university's judicial expertise centre, ignited public anger by suggesting that 99 per cent of people who repeatedly petitioned the government were mentally ill.

TIBET Two Tibetans have been sentenced to death for their role in riots in Tibet's regional capital of Lhasa last year, China's official Xinhua news agency said Wednesday. They were found guilty of "starting fatal fires" during the riot, the report said. REUTERS

Drug lords' new face

Savvy young heirs moving up in Mexico cartels

Shunning gem-studded pistols and gold chains flaunted by their fathers, a new generation of drug smugglers is moving up the ranks of Mexico's cartels wielding college degrees and keeping low profiles to outsmart police.

The fashionably dressed sons of two prominent drug bosses were recently arrested in smart Mexico City neighbourhoods while moving seamlessly among the country's elite.

"They're harder to identify because they don't look like typical drug traffickers." Jorge Chabat

They typify a new wave of leaders of Mexico's warring drug cartels, whose turf wars killed 6,300 people last year. Often the urbane offspring of cartel founders, they bring a clean-cut management style to the murky multi-billion-dollar enterprise.

"They're harder to identify because they don't look like typical drug traffickers," said political analyst Jorge Chabat. REUTERS

Six powers invite Iran for talks

NUCLEAR PROGRAM The United States and five other powers invited Iran on Wednesday to a meeting on its nuclear program after Washington dropped its opposition to direct talks with Tehran in a major change of policy.

The U.S., Russia, China, France, Germany and Britain said they would ask European Union foreign policy chief Javier Solana to invite Tehran to the talks. REUTERS

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Peddling naughty wares

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It was a drizzling Saturday evening in B.C.'s Fraser Valley and I was prodding a replica vagina with modest intrigue and quiet condemnation.

I was at the Taboo Naughty But Nice Sex Show, for reasons that are still not clear, and the latex lady part was one of hundreds of items being peddled casually, like a Teflon frying pan at Costco.

Here, perusing the aisles of adult playthings under bright lights in a warehouse setting, one couldn't help but notice the sterilization of sex — something so significant in romantic relationships and usually so emotionally provocative — and the complete pointlessness of many of the products.

The strappy leather get-up laden with grips and handles, for example, seemed rather unnecessary. (Do the kids today consider holding on to the body of one's partner too plebian?) The traffic-cone-size butt plug did not need to exist. The non-porous, glass dildo with a flower inside failed to pique my interest, despite the sales lady informing me it was "functional art" that's also "dishwasher safe." (Yes, let me put that in there next to my forks and Tupperware.)

And the middle-age woman selling vibrators at her corner kiosk like a female Billy Mayes? "It's like she was selling Cuisinart appliances," said one friend. We half expected the vibrator to also dice onions and absorb spills effortlessly.

Another friend theorizes the trade shows are deliberately unsexy, as to not intimidate the more conservative attendees.

I think he is wrong.

The sex toy industry peddles its products with the pitch these items could and should be an exciting and instrumental part of people's sex lives. Those who aren't interested, the inference would suggest, are boring, guarded or scared.

Organizers wanted the show to be sexy, exciting and risqué, but failed, because the reality is that CyberSkin and AA batteries and Liberator ramps are not sexy — people are. Toys are just that, and should be used as occasional accessories, without the permanency of the holes drilled into the ceiling to install a Love Swing™.

That said, I still think the Ultra Realistic Vibrating Vagina & Anus would make a pretty neat conversation piece.

Andrea Woo is a Vancouver-based news and entertainment reporter. She won this column in a carnival dart game.

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Worth mentioning

Experts argue for tax on sweet drinks

A penny-per-ounce tax on sugary drinks could help fight obesity by cutting consumption and raising billions of dollars to help state and local governments pay for programs, two experts said Wednesday.

Taxes have been shown to reduce smoking and are just as likely to help adults and children choose healthier drinks, which are now usually more expensive than sodas and other sweetened beverages, the experts wrote in the New England Journal of Medicine.

The tax on drinks such as soda, sports drinks and sugar-sweetened fruit juice and iced tea could "reduce consumption of sugared beverages by more than 10 per cent," Kelly Brownell of Yale University in Connecticut and New York City Health Commissioner Dr. Thomas Frieden wrote.

"It is difficult to imagine producing behaviour change of this magnitude through education alone, even if government devoted massive resources to the task."

Studies show children and adolescents now consume 10 to 15 per cent of all their calories in beverages.

The soft drink industry opposes such a tax. Last month the American Beverage Association published a survey showing 70 per cent of Americans oppose a national tax on non-diet soft drinks.

The group says a tax could cost jobs in an industry that employs 220,000 people in the United States.

Brownell and Frieden said the tax revenue could be put to good use, raising $1.2 billion in New York state alone.

This could help offset some of the costs drinking too many soft drinks has imposed on society, they said.

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Is it too late to buy Canadian?

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We're still in the shock phase of a global economic meltdown. Nothing else explains why some voices are still shouting "buying Canadian" is the only way to save jobs. Albeit those voices should be applauded for their nationalist zeal, the encouragement of buying Canadian is comparatively different than issuing distress commands to buy Canadian; the latter signifying a reluctance to accept the inevitable outcome of globalization, which didn't galvanize overnight.

Its steady growth over the past couple of decades has triggered a mega-shift from the managed economy of the cold war era to the new modern demands for ideas, technology, innovations and entrepreneurships.

We encouraged competition and applauded free trade for enabling expansive opportunity and growth. Now we are faced with an inevitable consequence: Growing pains. We're now forced to seek solutions, which could take some time. But given the instant gratification mantra of the marketplace we readily gobbled up, it won't be easy.

We don't want to be caught off guard like Britain in the 19th century when the new U.S. economic empire arrived on the scene; so we must equip ourselves with knowledge to strategize into the future.

Let's meet a couple of multinational neighbours from the East: China, a dominant player in mass manufacturing, building multibillion-dollar industrial plants and electronics. And India, with high tech hubs like Bangalore producing chip designs, software and pharmaceuticals.

"The encouragement of buying Canadian is comparatively different than issuing distress commands to buy Canadian."

Goods come cheap in India, less than three grand a car. Many economists are predicting a shift in the balance of power to the East.

Recently "On the Line," I asked Leonard Brody, the CEO of NowPublic, how much sense buying Canadian meant. He said it made as much sense as asking someone to vacation Canadian.

David Cravit, CEO of Zoomer Media, offered his consoling advice that it made more sense to focus instead on becoming more competitive globally.

One only needs to look at the uncertainty facing the Big Three automakers to face up to the reality of the competitive global market.

With the focus of the G20 summit to prevent a worldwide depression and restore confidence in markets, we nervously await any positive news while practising the virtue of patience.

For those of us who could, I will still extol the patriotic advice: "Buy Canadian."

Christine Williams is the producer and host of the live current affairs daily talk show On the Line at CTS TV in Burlington, Ont.

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Venezuela to pay cement firms for takeover: Media
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Virus fears may be behind PC attacks

Users seeking protection being infected by fake security software, Microsoft says

Computer users' growing fear of worms and viruses could be behind a recent spike in attacks on PCs via bogus security software, according to a Microsoft Corp. report published on Wednesday.

As the Conficker worm and other malicious software have grabbed headlines, more computer users have been looking for security programs online, some of which turn out to be agents for viruses themselves.

Out of hundreds of millions of PCs monitored by Microsoft for its twice yearly Security Intelligence Report, seven of the 25 top security threats came in the form of fake security programs.

In the last six months of 2008, Microsoft said it cleared 4.4 million PCs of the most successful bogus security program, which goes under the name of Win32/Renos.

That is a 67 per cent increase over the first half of 2008, said George Stathakopoulos, head of product security at Microsoft's Trustworthy Computing Group.

Fear of Conficker "could be a part of it," said Stathakopoulos, explaining the sudden jump in attacks from what Microsoft calls "rogue" security software, or "scareware."

Conficker, a program that works its way into a PC and allows it to be controlled remotely, is believed to have infected millions of PCs, but no significant disruption has yet occurred. REUTERS

Numbers

- Overall, Microsoft's report shows that instances of software security problems actually fell three per cent in the second half of last year from the first half. But the number defined as "high severity" rose four per cent.

Desk jobs increasing obesity: Study

HEALTH Desk jobs are increasing obesity, with many employees and employers ignorant of the risks of sitting down all day, researchers said on Wednesday.

Two billion people worldwide will be overweight by 2015, and more than 700 million will be obese, according to the researchers, whose EU-funded study examined exercise and working habits across the European Union.

A lack of designated areas for employees to store and eat their food, and a lack of on-site gyms were among the factors increasing obesity, the researchers said. REUTERS

Japan My Doggie Ring-Ring

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An employee of Japanese mobile phone carrier KDDI poses as she displays the company's new polka dot-pattern mobile phone and dog-shaped phone holder designed by artist Yayoi Kusama in Tokyo yesterday. The product, named "My Doggie Ring-Ring," is priced at one million yen ($12,364) and will go on sale in Japan this summer for a limited edition of 100 sets.

Business in brief

MEDIA Cable and telecom company Shaw Communications Inc. said Wednesday that quarterly profit declined due to smaller tax gains, but that earnings excluding non-operating items were higher.

TECH Intel Corp., the world's largest chip maker, is uncertain when demand for semiconductors will revive, chairman Craig Barrett said on Wednesday. Global chip sales fell about 30 per cent in February. REUTERS

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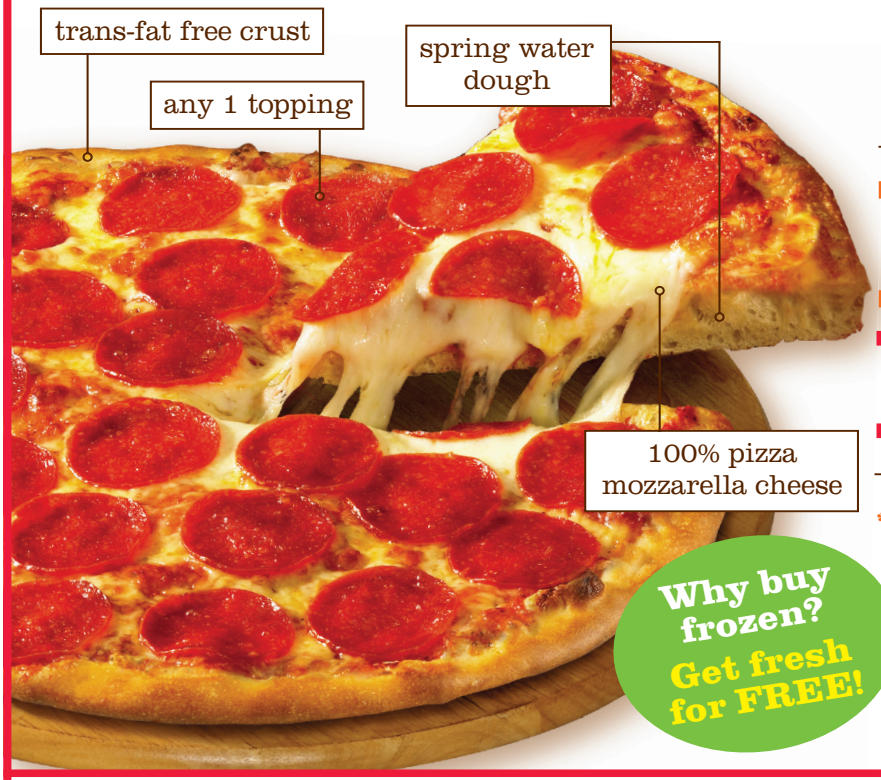

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Orbitz wages online travel war
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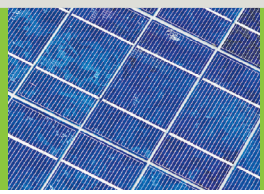

Cost-efficient, too
A recent study looked at which alternative power programs are most effective, and found solar and wind are tops; ethanol is last and is seven times more expensive.
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Eastern Ontario a green energy hotspot

In a couple of weeks, about 30 wind turbines on Wolfe Island near Kingston will power up. Another 56 turbines, owned by Canadian Hydro Developers, will be spinning by the end of June. It will be Canada's second-largest wind farm. But despite the environmental milestone, not everyone in Ontario is happy about it

This January, the Ontario government approved half a dozen wind turbine projects including one in Prince Edward County. Skypower will have 43 turbines running by next year. Critics say new legislation for such green technology projects will allow them to roll over any opposition by giving the projects top priority. Current projects have been criticized for not responding fully to residents' concerns over potential health impacts from the noise of wind technology; some in the medical community say more health studies need to be done.

As for solar power technology, two wind power firms are in on that too.

A solar farm project called "First Light" is in Stone Mills just west of Kingston. It will cover 300 acres and combines Skypower with SunEdison of the U.S., North America's largest solar power provider. That facility is to come online this year and power 2,000 homes.

Wind turbines will soon be a common sight in Ontario, after the province approved several projects.

Canadian Hydro is proposing a 20-megawatt operation in the Napanee area. They are only examining its economic feasibility, but the Ontario government has already expressed interest in half the project.

"This January, the Ontario government approved half a dozen wind turbine projects."

Then there is a similar-sized project planned near Hawkesbury, east of Ottawa. It would also produce around 20 megawatts and see 125,000 solar panels set up. Neighbours say the project will use up valuable agricultural land. Solaris Energy Partners of Ottawa is fighting a municipal ruling, which blocks the project for one year. A key decision in the dispute may come within weeks.

Finally, there is a solar technology factory planned for Kingston. Everbrite Solar of Toronto just announced two weeks ago it will spend half a billion dollars to build a solar panel factory that could be operational in a year with 1,200 jobs created, and throw in a $25-million research facility for Queen's University solar experts.

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK:
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Obama thanks Williams

U.S. President Barack Obama called North Carolina basketball coach Roy Williams to congratulate the Tar Heels on their NCAA championship Tuesday. White House spokesman Robert Gibbs says Obama thanked Williams for "vindicating him in front of the entire country." Obama picked UNC to win the championship in his NCAA bracket. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

Serena stunned in Spain

Top-ranked Serena Williams was upset by No. 95 Klara Zakopalova at Wednesday's first round of the Andalucia Tennis Experience clay-court tournament in Spain. The Czech converted seven break points in her 6-4, 3-6, 6-1 win. The WTA tour also said Wednesday that Dinara Safina will surpass Williams for the No. 1 ranking in women's tennis later this month. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Clouston has Sens accountable

TheHockeyNews

Ken Campbell

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Cory Clouston has proved beyond any doubt he can coach in the NHL. Next year we'll find out how good a coach he is when the burden of expectation is placed upon him.

For all of Clouston's tenure as the coach of the Ottawa Senators, very little has been expected of him and his team. When the Senators fired Craig Hartsburg in January, the team was a complete mess and had essentially already played itself out of a chance for the playoffs.

Clouston

Clouston came in and breathed new life into the organization and the players responded with a much more committed effort and a renewed sense of purpose.

As GM Bryan Murray said in Wednesday's news conference in which Clouston had the "interim" tag removed and was signed to a two-year deal, he made the players accountable.

But here's where it gets tricky.

The team and this group of players in particular, has something of an attitude of entitlement and has been known around the league for quite some time as a group that relies far more on talent than character and work ethic to win games.

It historically has also been a fragile group that seems to crack to pieces at the first sign of adversity.

And that's where Clouston's biggest challenge comes in. He has to somehow make the players accountable long-term and convince them that in today's NHL, there's not a team in the league that can simply lay its sticks out on the ice and expect to win.

The current group of Senators should in no way be confused with the powerhouse team of the turn of the century, or even the group that made it to the Stanley Cup final in 2007, and Clouston must instill from the first day of training camp next season that this team will forge an identity based on hard work and being difficult to play against.

The Senators have exhibited that since Clouston took over. Even former Senators defenceman Zdeno Chara took notice of how aggressively the Senators play the game under the guiding hand of Clouston. Now it's up to the coach to keep his foot on the pedal and keep players accountable for 82 games in 2009-10.

The Hockey News thn.com

Tiger all the talk at Masters

GOLF Tiger Woods has dominated much of the talk ahead of Thursday's opening round at the Masters where the world number 1 will be bidding to win his 15th major title.

A four-time champion at Augusta National, Woods will be competing in his first major since his playoff victory at the U.S. Open in June before he was sidelined for eight months while recovering from reconstructive knee surgery.

"When you get to the bigger stage, Tiger is the top dog and he deserves the attention with what he's done," British Open champion Padraig Harrington told reporters while preparing for the year's first major.

"He's coming back from injury, it's a fantastic story and it's good to be told."

Woods has appeared in only three PGA Tour events since making his much anticipated return to the circuit but he triumphed in his most recent start, at the Arnold Palmer Invitational 10 days ago.

The biggest challenge at Augusta comes on the slick, severely sloping greens and Woods has become well acquainted with their nuances since making his Masters debut as an amateur in 1995.

"I feel pretty good at Augusta," said Woods.

"I know how to prepare the way I like to play the tournament."

Anticipation of the almost inevitable title challenge by Woods is one of several intriguing storylines this week.

Harrington will be bidding for a third consecutive major victory, Greg Norman returns to Augusta for the first time since 2002 and young guns such as Anthony Kim and Rory McIlroy are set to make their debuts at the Masters.

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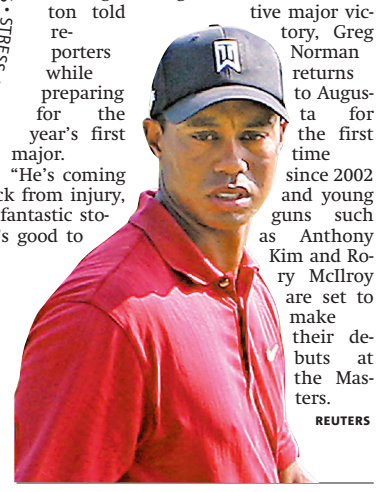

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Canada hangs eight on Finland

HOCKEY Canada hammered Finland 8-0 in a playoff game at the world women's hockey championship Wednesday, and have now outscored the opposition 28-1 heading into Friday's game against the defending champion U.S.

The U.S. and Finland meet Thursday, so Canada will be the more rested team when they face the Americans the following day.

The two countries with the best record in the three-team playoff round advance to Sunday's championship game.

If there is a three-way tie at 1-1, goal differential between them would be the tiebreaker.

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UEFA Liverpool beats Chelsea

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Didier Drogba of Chelsea celebrates after scoring against Liverpool in the UEFA Champions League quarter-final first leg Wednesday. Liverpool rallied for a 3-1 victory. In other action, Barcelona rolled over Bayern Minich 4-0.

Melnyk's MLS bid back to the drawing board

JustSoccer

Ben Rycroft

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One city still trying to find a way into the MLS. Another, already assured its spot, promising to keep its nose to the grindstone until it's in. And still another, lost in the soccer wilderness — unsure of where it wants to go.

Ottawa city council threw cold water on Eugene Melnyk's plans to build a soccer-specific stadium Monday, calling his business plan "below expectations" and sending him back to the drawing board.

For Melnyk, it's a massive blow. Despite not being included in the 2011 expansion, it was quietly being suggested that MLS commissioner Don Garber still favoured his bid, and if he could get a stadium deal done, he was a shoe-in for 2012 or 2013.

Melnyk will hold a press conference next week to address where he see his bid going. At this point, it's going nowhere unless they pair his bid with Jeff Hunt and his CFL hopes.

One city that is going somewhere is Vancouver.

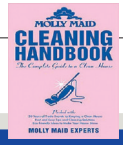
Whitecaps president Bob Lenarduzzi told me they are raising the bar in their run-up to 2011.

"We want repeat as champions in the USL-1 this year, win the Canadian Nutrilite Championship and make a deep run in the CONCACAF Champions League," he said. Their USL-1 season starts this weekend and frankly, they have the team to do all of that.

Montreal, meanwhile, has watched as rumours persist George Gillett has put the Montreal Canadiens up for sale — a sign his financial troubles extend beyond his ownership of Liverpool FC. Gillett had been a major backer of the failed Montreal Impact MLS bid and, as some have suggested, the one who insisted they low-ball the expansion fee, a move that earned them a quick exit from the process.

With former USL-1 team Seattle now in the MLS, current USL-1 powerhouses Portland and Vancouver leaving soon, and Ottawa regrouping, Montreal is looking very much the odd man out. Impact owner Joey Saputo needs to suck up his pride and get back on track — or risk getting left behind in the wilderness of Canadian soccer.

Watch Ben Rycroft on the It's Called Football show every Sunday at metronews.ca; ben.rycroft@metronews.ca.



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Pampered Chef

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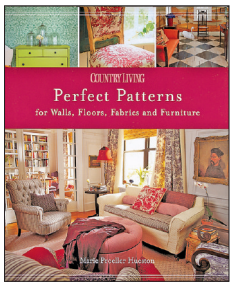

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Finding the perfect pattern

BOOKS Country living Perfect Patterns for Walls, Floors, Fabrics and Furniture, by Marie Proeller Hueston, $22; Hearst. Does the thought of checks, stripes and florals in the same room send chills down your spine? Relax! The editors of Country Living magazine share proven tips for mixing patterns that live well together and make for fabulous design. A few of their many tips: Group patterns using a common scheme (one or two colours work best); space out dominant patterns to keep them harmonious; and relegate bold patterns to the smaller elements in a room, like pillows or bedskirts, so they shine, not shout.

–JENN HOULIHAN

Tasting notes in style

Green, yellow, black or white — all come from the same plant, Camellia sinensis, but it's how they're harvested and processed that make each tea taste different.

White tea is composed of silvery buds, making a pale yellow brew. Delicate and subtle, it has maple, citrus or floral notes.

Green tea is air-dried and then cooked. Chinese green tea is more mature than white and has a fuller flavour, reminiscent of vegetables or honey. Milled into a fine powder called **MATCHA**, Japanese versions create a greener "liquor" (what tea pros call brewed tea).

Oolong tea can be any colour from yellow to orange to green, and gives off a floral or fruity aroma.

Yellow tea is aromatic, sweet and astringent. Made in small amounts, it's rare in North America and very expensive.

Black tea is dark and fragrant — a British staple that can range from pucker inducing to a hint of honey, fruit or malt.

Herbal tea is a popular tea alternative, made not from the tea plant but rather a mix of fresh or dried flowers, seeds, leaves or roots. So if you crave a cup of chamomile or soothing mint to unwind, we won't judge!

Did you know

Optimal water temperature and infusion time depend on the tea type — generally, the darker the tea, the hotter the water needed and the longer the infusion time. Here's how to brew the perfect cuppa in three easy steps.

- Bring fresh, cold spring or filtered water to a rolling boil; let cool 2 minutes. White and green teas should be brewed at 160˚F to 190F to preserve their delicate flavours; black tea tastes best at 205˚F.
- Warm a ceramic or glass teapot with a swish of boiling water.
- Place tea leaves or bag in teapot; pour in water and steep as desired (1 to 3 minutes for green tea; up to 5 minutes for black). Remove leaves or bag to avoid overinfusing.

–PRODUCED BY JENN HOULIHAN

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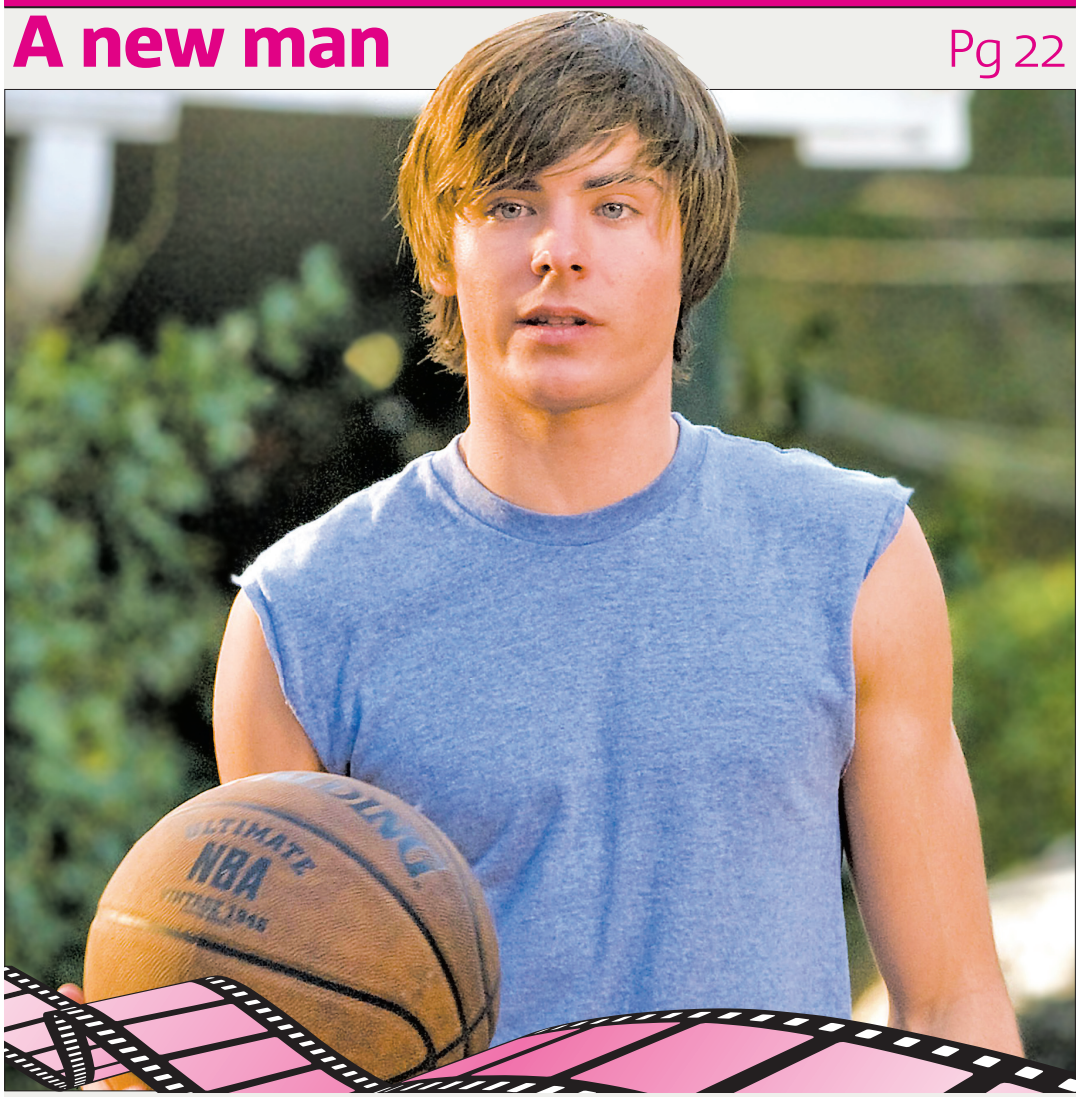

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The first thing you see in 17 Again is Zac Efron — Hollywood heartthrob, star of the High School Musical franchise, bedroom wall decoration for girls the world over — sweaty and shirtless, landing three-pointer after three-pointer in an empty gym.

The filmmakers obviously know how to play to their base.

But after the opening — followed by an impromptu dance routine by Efron to Bust a Move — the story gets underway, and the Disney teen star gets his first real chance to stretch himself, to break out of the Tiger Beat ghetto.

"When I read the script, there were a million different things to play," Efron says. "Playing that kind of complicated character held a lot of opportunities."

Ask anyone involved with the production about Efron, and they are quick to commend his work ethic. Even after suffering from appendicitis during production, the actor was back at work the next day — and even called his co-workers to apologize for delaying filming.

"I could've ruined the movie," Efron explains, deathly serious.

And Efron even asked for a memento from the production halting surgery: The appendix itself.

"I said to the doctor, 'When it's out, can I have it?' And he was like, 'Yeah, sure,'" Efron says. "And the thing disappeared. Somebody's got it right now."

But he's not terribly concerned. "It's not like it works."

Efron has been keeping a much more watchful eye on his future career development now that High School Musical is behind him. His next film, Orson Welles and Me, is a period drama about the Victory Theater.

He even considered a cameo in Gus Van Sant's Oscar-winning Milk, but scheduling conflicts made it impossible.

Perhaps the surest sign that Efron is looking to broaden his resume and get away from the material he was first known for is his recent decision to opt out of a musical remake of Footloose. But Efron insists it has less to do with typecasting than it does with personal and professional growth.

"Since I was young, I've always loved trying new things and acquiring new skill sets," the actor says. "I'm ready to try something else, a new challenge. I want to move forward. To be stagnant right now just is not in my heart."

High School Musical star Zac Efron returns to the big screen with 17 Again.

Movie feature

Opening day

- 17 Again opens in Theatres across Canada on Friday, April 17.

Nothing to Report here

Observe and Report

Director: Jody Hill
Stars: Seth Rogen, Anna Faris
Classification: 18A
Rating: ½

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REVIEW There's a scene midway through Observe and Report that sums the film up completely. While Detective Harrison (Ray Liotta) is telling mall cop Ronnie Barnhardt (Seth Rogen) that he didn't pass the psychological test required for the police academy, another detective is listening in the closet, unbeknownst to Ronnie.

Halfway through the scene, the detective steps out, interrupting the two men. "I'm sorry," he explains. "I thought this was going to be funny. But it's really just kind of sad."

The second mall cop movie this year, Observe has as much in common with Paul Blart: Mall Cop as Home Alone does with Last House on the Left.

Most of the laughs come from jarring violence and some truly pervasive language. And while often unsettling, much of the outrageous humour works well, especially Anna Faris' work as the object of Ronnie's misplaced affection. And Rogen, adding extra pounds and shedding his usual nice-guy persona, disappears into his bipolar, trigger-happy anti-hero.

In another, more traditional comedy — say, one that focused on Liotta's detective instead — Ronnie would be a supporting role, used simply for comic relief. But Observe and Report decides to linger on the oddball, and sometimes spending that much time with that type of character isn't exactly rewarding.

Anna Faris and Seth Rogen star in Observe and Report.

The longer we stay with Ronnie and listen to his unrelenting, Travis Bickle-like philosophies, the more we realize he is in fact a psychopath. While he struggles for validation for his behaviour, the only real lesson he learns is that he isn't trying hard enough, and it all leads to a deeply unsettling climax in which all of Ronnie's actions are validated.

It's easier to identify with Liotta than with Rogen, and it's never clear if we're supposed to be cheering Ronnie or pitying him.

Duska a hypnotic puzzle

Duska

Director: Jos Stelling
Stars: Gene Bervoets, Sylvia Hoeks
Classification: PG
Rating:

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Dutch director Jos Stelling (The Flying Dutchman) makes weird movies that command cult followings. But his latest effort, the strange, beautifully photographed but ultimately unsatisfying Duska, is really weird even by his standards. It's an ambiguous, slowly paced tragicomedy with a surreal narrative that is as hypnotic as it is confounding.

Aging film critic Bob (Gene Bervoets) lives a life of loneliness, alternating between trying to complete his first screenplay and longing for the sexy young girl (Sylvia Hoeks) who works at the cinema box office across the street (which incidentally, seems to play exclusively Canadian films).

When the object of his affection miraculously ends up in his apartment, any chance to seal the deal is spoiled by the arrival of a mysterious Russian man named Duska (12's Sergei Makovetsky), whom Bob vaguely remembers meeting at a film festival years prior.

As the lost puppy-like Duska invades both his apartment and his life, Bob begins losing his grip and every effort to shake this doubtful guest proves futile.

A literal read of Duska makes it play like a lightweight, elegant but pointless farce, with the goofy faced hanger-on coming across like a sort of Soviet riff on Forrest Gump. However, if seen as a sort of David Lynch-ian musing on identity and loneliness there's plenty to enjoy here.

Megan Fox eyed for She-Hulk role
Megan Fox is being lined up to play She-Hulk. The Transformers star is the favourite to portray the giant green female in the big screen adaptation of the popular comic book series about The Incredible Hulk's cousin. **FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK**

Movies

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Movie careers on suicide watch

InFocus

Richard Crouse

metronews.ca/infocus

Two things in the last 24 hours have gotten me thinking about movie stars who seem determined to throw their careers away.

First, I saw a picture of Lindsay Lohan slumped over in the backseat of a limo. With a tangled mess of flame coloured hair obscuring her face, the former A-lister looked, to put it mildly, a little worse for the wear and tear.

Secondly, I saw Two Lovers, a new drama starring Joaquin Phoenix as a depressed man torn between two women. Watching his work made me wish he would go to the barber, get a shave, stop his infantile flirtation with becoming the new Vanilla Ice and get back to doing what he does best — create interesting, layered characters for the big screen.

Both are accomplished stars — he's a two time Oscar nominee and just four years ago she won the Superstar of Tomorrow award — and both have recently been added to a long list of Hollywood actors who, through personal temperament, ego or bad management, have allowed their careers to swirl down the drain.

The most cheerless flameout of recent years has to be Tom Sizemore. After a string of arrests, failed drug tests (one involving a prosthetic penis) and a self-marketed amateur porn tape, the once formidable star of Strange Days and Saving Private Ryan has sunk so low even Paris Hilton denies having a one-night-stand with him.

Rupert Everett told the New York Times Magazine that defining his sexuality was career suicide as a leading man. "I wanted to be a movie star," he said. "I had a difficult set of circumstances to deal with, particularly for a movie career. Being gay. It just doesn't work." Times have changed since 1997 when he came out, (just ask Ian McKellen) but the damage to Everett's career was already done. I'd further suggest making horrible movies with Madonna (remember The Next Best Thing? Its 17 per cent rating at Rotten Tomatoes says it all) was the postscript on his career suicide note.

Joaquin Phoenix's work in Two Lovers makes columnist Richard Crouse wish that he'd drop his rap act.

As difficult as it is to see once promising careers evaporate, like everything in this ever shifting world not even career suicide is permanent.

Just a few years ago Tom Cruise looked like he was, as Film Threat wrote, "a man on a career-suicide mission," but even after the one-two punch of bad publicity following his couch gymnastics on the Oprah show, insults to Brooke Shields and the release of the fetid Lions For Lambs, Cruise bounced back. He was welcomed back by a Golden Globe nomination for Tropic Thunder, his first major award nod in five years.

Joaquin, Lindsay, Tom and Everett take note.

Richard Crouse's Movie Show can be seen every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. on the E! Channel; mrchaos33@hotmail.com.

The Pool worth diving into

The Pool

Director: Chris Smith
Stars: Venkatesh Chaven, Nana Patekar
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●●●

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

A scene from The Pool, a film set in Goa, India, and directed by American filmmaker Chris Smith.

REVIEW After wallowing in an endless miasma of elephantine, over-plotted, big budget blockbuster brain drainers it's a genuine pleasure to stumble across a film like The Pool.

Elegant, simple and sharply observed, the picture is the sort of gentle, bittersweet character drama that's come to be dubbed Neo-realist by those in the know; low budget, quasi-documentary movies that enlighten us by telling stories about regular, working class people trying to keep their heads above water in difficult situations.

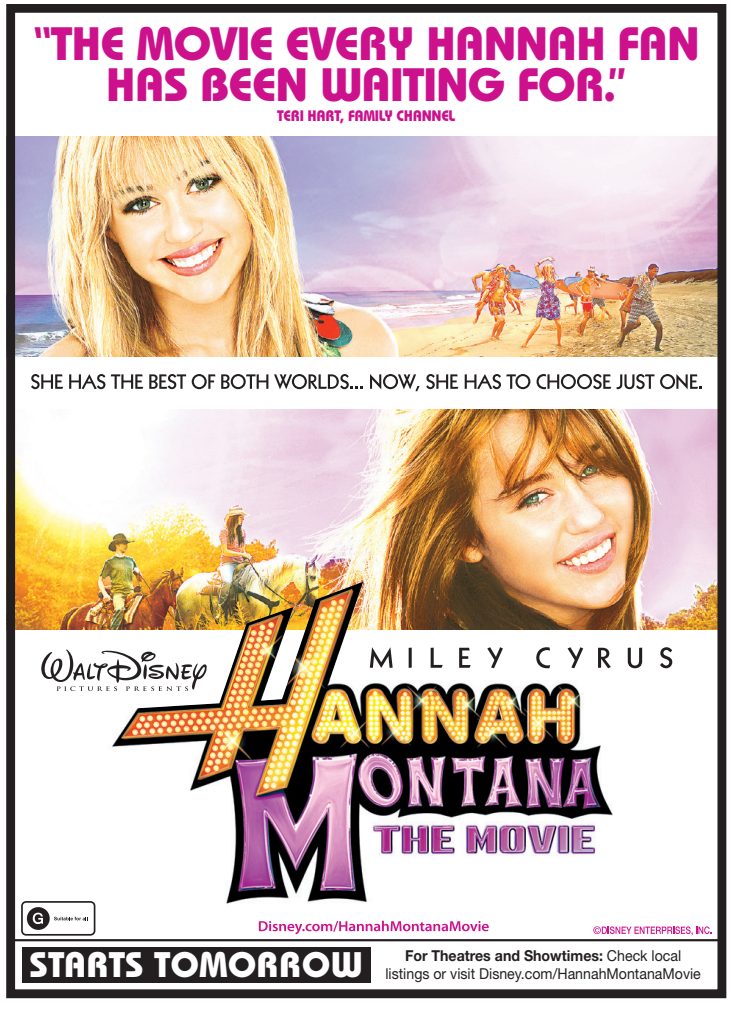
In the case of the Goa-set picture The Pool, however, our protagonist is actually striving to submerge himself in water.

Awkward Vankatesh (newcomer Venkatesh Chaven) spends his days working in a Panjim hotel and, along with his orphaned friend Jhangir, selling plastic shopping bags in the local market. One day, the two friends spot a wealthy family's luxurious pool through the trees.

So smitten with this chlorinated mirage, Vankatesh vows to swim in it no matter what the cost.

As he slowly insinuates himself into the family, first as a groundskeeper and then as a sort of surrogate son to the father, his humble dreams become more and more obscured and his fortunes change. Not exactly a synopsis that quickens the pulse, but that's the poetry of The Pool.

It's not burdened by twists and turns or gimmicky devices, rather director Chris Smith simply sits back and lets his camera study his characters behaving in their natural environments.



Scorsese to receive humanitarian honour

Martin Scorsese will be honoured with the Multicultural Motion Picture Association's humanitarian award on April 21. Scorsese will be the second ever recipient of the honour, which was presented to Clint Eastwood last year. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Reel Time

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Movie morsels

Adventureland

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REVIEW Written and directed by Greg Mottola (Superbad), Adventureland follows James (Jesse Eisenberg), an aspiring scholar who is forced into working away his vacation to earn his tuition. Unable to land anything of prominence, he reluctantly takes a gig at Adventureland, a worn-out amusement park that specializes in fetid corn dogs, fixed games, the endless sound of Falco's Rock Me Amadeus.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Fast & Furious

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REVIEW Fast & Furious opens up with an absolutely spectacular (and spectacularly dumb) bit of pre-credits action featuring a failed oil tanker hijacking that climaxes with Vin Diesel gunning it into the side of a spiralling, flaming rig. And that's really all you need to know about this sequel, the fourth in the long-running and popular franchise: It's big, it's loud, it fetishizes its hulking, turtle-faced star and is loaded with revving motors and sleek chrome.

Chris Alexander/Metro Canada

I Love You, Man

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REVIEW I Love You, Man is a star-filled and unabashed comedy that leaves the audience feeling pleasant whether they like it or not. Normally this type of filmmaking can be irritatingly predictable, but writer/director John Hamburg packed his cast with the right talent and toys with conventions just enough to make audiences remember why the well-worn formulas worked so well in the first place.

Phil Brown/Metro Canada

Knowing

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REVIEW Combining elements of numerology, theology, fatalism and the notion of alien life in what is basically a glorified disaster movie, Knowing accomplishes the improbable combination of giving us way too much and yet not enough. When his son's school unearths a 50-year-old time capsule, troubled professor John Koestler (Nicolas Cage) comes across an odd document scribbled with seemingly random numbers.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Sunshine Cleaning

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REVIEW In Sunshine Cleaning, Amy Adams and Emily Blunt star as two sisters ringing in an early mid-life crisis by starting up a lucrative business cleaning up gruesome crime-scenes. It may sound more like a grim new HBO series, but instead this comic-drama takes a light and charming look at a broken family just trying to make ends meet.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

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Screen Times

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OTTAWA

BYTOWNE CINEMA
325 Rideau St., 613-789-3456

Defiance (14A) Thu 6:30
Entre les murs (PG) Fri 2
Fear(s) of the Dark (STC) Tue 9:20 Wed 5:10-9:20 Thu 9:20
The Godfather (STC) Mon 8:10 Tue 3:40
Milk (14A) Sat 9:10 Sun 2
The Pool (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri 4:40 Sat 7 Sun 9:25 Mon 3:30
Shall We Kiss? (14A) Fri 9:20 Sat 4:45 Sun 7:10 Mon 1:15 Tue-Wed 7:05 Thu 4:15
Slumdog Millionaire (14A) Fri 6:50 Sat 2:15 Sun 4:40 Mon 5:40

CANADIAN FILM INSTITUTE
2 Daly Ave., Suite 120, 613-232-6727

Amateur (STC) Wed 7

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE
240 McLeod St., 613-566-4700

A Song of Africa (STC) Sat-Mon 9:30-10-10:30-11
Wild Africa: Jungles (STC) Fri 3 Sat-Mon 11:30-1:30-3:30 Thu 6 Fri 4 Sat-Mon 12:30-2:30 Thu 7

COLISEUM OTTAWA
3090 Carling Ave., 613-596-9475

8x10 Tasveer (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Wed 3:45
Adventureland (14A) Fri-Mon 1:20-4:20-7:05-9:50 Tue-Thu 4:20-7:05-9:50
Dragonball: Evolution (PG) No Passes Fri-Mon 12:10-2:20-4:40-7:10-9:20 No Passes Tue-Thu 4:40-7:10-9:20
Duplicity (PG) Fri-Mon 12:45-6:40-9:35 Tue-Wed 6:40-9:35 Thu 10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Fast & Furious (14A) Fri-Mon 12:30-1:30-3:50-4:30-6:50-7:40-9:30-10:30 Tue-Thu 3:50-4:30-6:50-7:40-9:30-10:30
Hannah Montana: The Movie (G) No Passes Fri-Mon 12-2:30-5-7:30-10 No Passes Tue-Thu 5-7:30-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
The Haunting in Connecticut (14A) Fri-Mon 1:05-3:55-6:30-9:10 Tue-Thu 3:55-6:30-9:10
I Love You, Man (14A) Fri-Mon 1:50-4:50-7:45-10:25 Tue-Thu 4:50-7:45-10:25
Knowing (14A) Fri-Mon 12:50-4:15-7:15-10:05 Tue-Thu 4:15-7:15-10:05
Monsters vs. Aliens (PG) Fri-Mon 1:15-3:40-6:10-8:40 Tue-Thu 3:40-6:10-8:40
Monsters vs. Aliens 3D (PG) Fri-Mon 12:20-2:40-4:50-7:20-9:40 Tue-Thu 4:50-7:20-9:40
Observe and Report (18A) Fri-Mon 1-3:10-5:20-7:50-10:10 Tue-Thu 5:20-7:50-10:10

EMPIRE 7 CINEMAS
111 Albert St., 3rd Floor World Exchange Plaza, 613-233-0209

Adventureland (14A) Fri-Mon 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:35 Tue-Thu 3:50-6:50-9:35
The Art Star and the Sudanese Twins (PG) Fri-Mon 1-4-7-9:40 Tue-Thu 4-7-9:40
Duplicity (PG) Fri-Mon 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:25 Tue 3:30-9:25 Wed 3:30-6:30-9:25 Thu 3:30-9:25
The Haunting in Connecticut (14A) Fri-Mon 9:55 Wed-Thu 9:55
I Love You, Man (14A) Fri-Mon 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:30 Tue-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:30
Observe and Report (18A) Fri-Mon 1:20-4:20-7:20-9:50 Tue-Thu 4:20-7:20-9:50
One Week (14A) Fri 1:30-4:30-7:30 Sat 4:30-7:30 Sun-Mon 1:30-4:30-7:30 Tue-Thu 4:30-7:30
Opus Arte: Easter at King's: Messiah (STC) Sat 1
Sunshine Cleaning (14A) Fri-Mon 1:10-4:10-7:10-9:45 Tue-Thu 4:10-7:10-9:45

MAYFAIR THEATRE
1074 Bank St., 613-730-3403, mayfair-movie.com

Descendant of Wing Chau (STC) Fri 11:30
Duska (PG) Fri 7 Sat 4:30 Sun-Mon 7
The Good, the Bad and the Ugly (STC) Sat 1 Mon 9:20
Harry and the Hendersons (STC) Sun 2
The International (14A) Fri 2 Wed 1
Jesus Christ Superstar (STC) Sun 4:30
Jesus Christ Vampire Hunter (STC) Fri 9:30 Sat 11
Jesus de Montreal (STC) Fri 4:30 Mon 1
The Last Temptation of Christ (STC) Sun 9:20 Mon 3:30
Monty Python and the Holy Grail (14A) Sat 7 Tue 7
Monty Python's Life of Brian (STC) Sat 9 Tue 9
El Vampiro (STC) Wed-Thu 9:20
The Wrestler (14A) Wed-Thu 7

RAINBOW CINEMAS
1200 St. Laurent Blvd., 613-688-0850

Bedtime Stories (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:30-4:40
Bolt (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-2:20
Coraline (PG) Fri-Thu 3:55-6:30
Gran Torino (14A) Fri-Thu 10-4:30-6:50-9:10
He's Just Not That Into You (14A) Fri-Thu 3:45-9:20
Hotel for Dogs (G) Fri-Thu 10:10-12:30-2:40-5
The International (14A) Fri-Wed 10:40-1-8:50 Thu 10:40-8:50 Thu 1
Paul Blart: Mall Cop (PG) Fri-Thu 10:20-7-9
Push (14A) Fri-Thu 7:10-9:30
The Reader (14A) Fri-Thu 10:30-1:10-6:40

RIDEAU CENTRE CINEMAS
50 Rideau St., 613-234-3712

Fast & Furious (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Mon 2:30-5-7:25-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital Tue-Thu 5-7:25-9:45
Hannah Montana: The Movie (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri-Mon 12:05-2:25-4:40-7-9:20 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Tue-Thu 4:40-7-9:20
Monsters vs. Aliens (PG) SDDS Digital Fri-Mon 12:15-2:20-4:30-6:40-8:50 SDDS Digital Tue-Thu 4:30-6:40-8:50

SOUTH KEYS
2214 Bank St., 613-736-1115

Adventureland (14A) Fri-Thu 11-2-4:35-7:30-10
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Duplicity (PG) Fri-Thu 10:35-1:25-7:05
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Observe and Report (18A) Fri-Thu 10:30-12:40-2:55-5:15-7:35-9:55
Slumdog Millionaire (14A) Fri-Thu 4:15-9:45

GATINEAU

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF CIVILIZATION
100 rue Laurier, 819-776-7010

Journey to Mecca in the Footsteps of Ibn Battuta (STC) Thu 6
Merveilles des Mers (STC) Fri 4-10 Sat 10-4 Sun 10-1 Mon-Tue 1-7 Wed 4-9 Thu 1
Momies: Secret des Pharaons (STC) Fri 1-9 Sat 1 Sun-Tue 4 Wed 1-8 Thu 9-4
Mummies: Secrets of the Pharaohs (STC) Fri 12-3-8 Sat 12-3-8-10 Sun 12-3-6 Mon-Tue 12-3-9 Wed 12-3 Thu 10-12-3-8
Under the Sea (STC) Fri 11-2-5-7 Sat 11-2-5-7-9 Sun 11-2-5 Mon-Tue 11-2-5-8 Wed 11-2-5-7 Thu 11-2-5-7-9

CINÉMA DES GALERIES D'AYLMER
400 boul. Wilfrid-Lavigne, 819-248-2526

Fast & Furious (14A) Fri-Tue 12:50-3:20-6:50-9:20 Wed-Thu 6:50-9:20
Je me souviens (STC) Tue 1-3:30 Wed-Thu 7
Knowing (14A) Fri-Mon 1-3:30-7-9:30 Tue 7-9:30 Wed-Thu 9:30
Monsters vs. Aliens (PG) Fri-Tue 12:40-3-6:40-9 Wed-Thu 6:40-9
Observe and Report (18A) Fri-Tue 1:10-3:10-7:10-9:10 Wed-Thu 7:10-9:10

CINÉ-STARZ
1100 boul. Maloney Ouest, 819-568-8000

Le Bonheur de Pierre (G) Tue-Thu 2:45-4:45
Confessions d'une accro du shopping (G) Fri-Mon 5:20-7:10-9 Tue-Thu 1:40-3:30-5:20
Coraline (G) Fri-Mon 12-1:45-3:30 Tue-Thu 12
Duplicité (G) Fri-Mon 3:20-7:10-9:20 Tue-Thu 1:45-3:55-7:10-9:20
Les gardiens (13+) Tue-Thu 12-6:45-9:30
Histoires enchantées (G) Fri-Mon 12-1:40-5:30 Tue-Thu 12
L'étrange histoire de Benjamin Button (G) Fri-Mon 4:40-8:20 Tue-Thu 7:50
Palace pour chiens (G) Fri-Mon 12-1:50-3:35-6:35 Tue-Thu 12-6:05
La panthère rose 2 (G) Fri-Mon 12
Paul Blart: Flic du mail (STC) Fri-Mon 1:35-3:10-7:30-9:05 Tue-Thu 3:05-7:20-9
Polytechnique (13+) Fri-Mon 5:15 Tue-Thu 1:45-4:40-6

GATINEAU 9
120 boul. de l'Hôpital, 819-568-6070

Les 12 épreuves (13+) Fri-Tue 12:20-7:15 Wed-Thu 7:15
Le bal des actrices (STC) Fri-Tue 1:05-3:40-7-9:25 Wed-Thu 7-9:25
La course vers la montagne ensorcelée (G) Fri-Tue 12-2:45-7:05-9:10 Wed-Thu 7:05-9:10
Dédé, à travers les brumes (13+) Fri-Tue 12:10-3:15-6:20-9:15 Wed-Thu 6:20-9:15
Grande ourse - La clé des possibles (13+) Fri-Tue 3:10-9:50 Wed-Thu 9:50
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Malédiction au Connecticut (13+) Fri-Tue 1:10-3:50-7:25-9:45 Wed-Thu 7:25-9:45
Monstres contre Aliens (G) Fri-Tue 1:30-4-6:45-9 Wed-Thu 6:45-9
Prédictions (13+) Fri-Tue 12:45-3:30-6:30-9:05 Wed-Thu 6:30-9:05
Rapides et dangereux (13+) Fri-Tue 1:3:45-6:50-9:30 Wed-Thu 6:50-9:30

STARCITÉ HULL
115 boul. du Plateau, 819-770-1090, cinemasfortune.ca

12 Rounds (13+) Fri-Thu 9:50
Adventureland (13+) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:10-6:40-9:05
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Rapides et dangereux (13+) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:05-7:20-9:50

BARRHAVEN

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131 Riocan Dr., 613-825-2463

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GLOUCESTER

SILVERCITY
2385 City Park Dr., 613-688-8800

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Billboard's top albums

1. Love, Pain & the Whole Crazy Thing, Keith Urban; **2.** LotusFlow3r, Prince; **3.** Quiet Nights, Diana Krall; **4.** NOW 30, Various Artists; **5.** Hannah Montana (Miley Cyrus, left): The Movie Soundtrack. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Metro recommends

• **IT'S BLITZ, YEAH YEAH YEAHS:** Art-punk trio subs guitars for synthesizers and delivers edgy pop songs with an electronic ambiance.

• **QUIET NIGHTS, DIANA KRALL:** Krall softly croons classic, lushly orchestrated bossa nova ballads while adding tinges of delicate jazz piano.

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Eminem spoofs celebs, Palin

VIDEO Eminem debuted the video to We Made You, the first single off his forthcoming album Relapse, on MTV Tuesday.

The video spoofs a slew of celebrities, including Jessica Simpson and her alleged weight issues, Lindsay Lohan and Samantha Ronson's fractured lesbian relationship, Sarah Palin and others. REUTERS

Sleepless nights for Krall

Singer promotes new album and prepares for tour while raising twins

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

If it seemed like Diana Krall was taking some time off from her busy life the last couple of years, think again. She might not have been on tour, but producing a Barbra Streisand album, creating a new disc of her own, and raising twin boys is anything but a relaxing vacation.

"I haven't had more than a couple weeks off in many months," says an exhausted Krall, who has spent the last week talking to media. "I took two weeks in January, then started full on again. I wanted to do this album, and when I'm with my children I'm with my children. I haven't slept in a week."

Krall's world is only going to get busier, as she's about to embark on a five-month tour in support of her latest record, Quiet Nights. The disc sees the Vancouver-based artist, and wife to Elvis Costello, tackle an entire record of Bossa Nova tunes.

It's a genre she's always dabbled in — her biggest hit, the Look of Love, featured a Bossa Nova groove — but it's the first time she's dedicated an entire record to the Brazilian sound.

"I've always liked the genre," she says. "I've been a fan of Sergio Mendez, João Gilberto and Stan Getz for years."

But it was her partnership with arranger Claus Ogerman, who worked with Krall on Look of Love, that energized her interest in Bossa Nova. "It's because of Clause," she says, explaining why she made this record. "I started listening to Gilberto at Carnegie Hall and then I went to Brazil and got into the grooviness of the people and music there. And, since Clause worked with (Bossa Nova legend) Antonio Carlos Jobim, it just felt like this was the right direction."

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Diana Krall's life is about to get a lot busier. The jazz singer is embarking on a five-month tour in support of latest record, Quiet Nights.

Like her previous discs, Krall takes other people's tunes and makes them her own. Standouts include Burt Bacharach's Walk On By, Jobim's Este Seu Olhar, and The Boy From Ipanema, originally sung as The Girl from Ipanema by Astrud Gilberto.

> **"You want to put everything on an album," she explains, "but you pay people to wisely give their very valued opinion."**
> Diana Krall

Picking what tunes to perform was the hardest part of making this disc, says Krall. But she had some help. "You want to put everything on an album," she explains, "but you pay people to wisely give their very valued opinion."

One person she didn't ask for advice was her husband, but he wasn't left out of the album creating process entirely. "His input comes in after I've made the record," she says. "He's very much the artist so he helps by being supportive when I say I really want something to be a certain way."

While Krall's new disc will be a hit among the romantic, dinner-by-candlelight types, she admits that this one isn't for the kids. "I don't think I'll play them torchy late night love songs," she says, adding that she'd rather write a kids album — with Costello — for her boys one day.

"That would be hilarious," she says. "It would be great because we could go nutty."

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Amazon.ca's bestselling albums
1. Quiet Nights, Diana Krall (right); **2.** Live In London, Leonard Cohen; **3.** Fork In The Road, Neil Young; **4.** We Are The Same, The Tragically Hip; **5.** Fantasies, Metric. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

●●●●● A CLASSIC; ●●●● EXCELLENT; ●●● GOOD; ●● FAIR; ● POOR

Hip shows softer side

The Tragically Hip

Album: We Are The Same
Label: Universal
Rating: ●●●●

THIS IS NOT an album that's going to knock the listener through the walls with ragged guitar and rock 'n' roll angst. As a matter of fact, it will probably challenge old Hip fans still looking for another New Orleans Is Sinking. No sprawling rock anthems here. Instead we get the country calm of Morning Moon, the gentle melody of Honey Please and the grandiose Depression Suite. The three-part album centrepiece clocks in at almost 10 minutes and is held together by stately strings and Beatlesque production techniques that Bob Rock borrowed from Jeff Lynn. But always there's that nasty Hip element rolling beneath the surface, occasionally rearing its head on songs like Love Is a First and Frozen In My Tracks. It's a fine balance of light and dark, soft and hard, old and new. Downie and company push the sound ahead, but, as always, remain Hip.

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We Are The Same is the latest album from The Tragically Hip.

Neil Young

Album: Fork In the Road
Label: Warner
Rating: ●●●

NEIL YOUNG FANS have learned that the Winnipeg-raised legend creates music on his own terms, for better or worse. He's had a few head scratchers in his career, and his latest is another curious creation. The disc is mostly about driving fuel efficient cars and environmentalism, but bail outs, greed and general economic woes factor in too. If you can get past some of the odd lyrics, it's actually not a bad listen. There are some classic Young grunge moments and folk numbers, and while most of his other work is better, this is still a thought-provoking listen.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

Junior Boys

Album: Begone Dull Care
Label: Domino/Outside
Rating: ●●●

LIVING ON TWO continents often spells trouble for a band, but not for Hamilton's Junior Boys who have created one of the most ambitious records in their young career. Flying back and forth between Hamilton and Berlin, the duo were able to craft a complex collection of minimalist, yet upbeat electro grooves and '80s melodies, based on Norman McLaren's films. The record drags a bit in the middle, but songs such as the dance floor friendly Hazel, prove the guys are moving in the right direction.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

Metric

Album: Fantasies
Label: Last Gang Records
Rating: ●●●½

JUST OVER HALFWAY through this album, Metric front-vixen Emily Haines offers up the wonderful chorus question "who would you rather be The Beatles or The Rolling Stones?" It's a choice that tugs at Metric throughout the Canadian band's first album in four years. It's poppy and melodic like The Beatles, but Haines' bomb-dropping lyrics and vampish delivery add a Rolling Stones edge. Old fans will welcome back the new wave techno formula that made them indie darlings a few years ago. New converts will find fresh fantasies in Emily Haines.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

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Classified

Album: Self Explanatory
Label: Sony Music
Rating: ●●●½

THE KITSCHY GENESIS sample featured on Anybody Listening, the lead single from Classified's 13th album, is the only sign that Self Explanatory is the Halifax MC/producer's first major-label release. Otherwise, this healthy 22-track record is business as usual for the consistent rap artist — good news for fans of his past releases. Beyond the expectantly dope series of melody-intensive DJ Premier-influenced beats, highlights include the touching narrative of Inspiration, the fiery lyricism of Trouble, Class' trademark self-deprecation throughout, and an all-star lineup of Canadian MC cameos.

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New releases could boost spring sales

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Alan Cross

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Let's be clear about something: The music industry is in great shape. More music is being made by more bands and music is being consumed by more people than at any other time in the history of the species. Gross concert revenues in 2008 were up 10 per cent, thanks to bands like Coldplay and Bon Jovi. Heck, Madonna grossed nearly $340 million on her own. And with U2, Nickelback and Britney on the road now, 2009 will be even better.

"Not a single first quarter album managed to achieve platinum status."

No, the music industry is fine. It's the CD-selling industry that's having a hard time. Even with a heavily-hyped U2 album, not a single first quarter album managed to achieve platinum status. That's not good. But maybe Q2 will be better.

Depeche Mode, Sounds of the Universe: Hell is surely frozen over because songwriter/dictator Martin Gore has allowed singer Dave Gahan to contribute at least three songs to the album, the band's 12th studio release and 11th under Gore's control. Watch for a super-duper deluxe version that'll come with remixes, demos and two 84-page books. Everything hits the stores April 21 with a world tour starting in Toronto on July 24.

Green Day, 21st Century Breakdown: Three years in the making and five years after American Idiot, Green Day returns with yet another punk rock opera delivered in three acts. We were teased with a clip of the first single, Know Your Enemy, during the NCAA final on Monday. The full version will be on your radio by this time next week. Meanwhile, the album will hit stores on May 15.

Billy Talent/TBA: Ben Kowalewicz and the boys spent time in Los Angeles and Atlanta sorting out the group's third album with Brendan O'Brien (Pearl Jam, AC/DC). I don't have a title (Could it be Billy Talent III?), but the first single will be called Rusted in the Rain and is scheduled to be released May 19. Word is the guys stretch their abilities with excellent results.

Alexisonfire, Old Crows/Young Cardinals: The band's fourth album was recorded in Vancouver and Hamilton and is set to be released as far afield as Australia and South Africa. All they'll say at this point is that the album is done and it'll be released in "early summer."

Eminem, Relapse and Relapse 2: Marshall's back with a two-part release. We'll get the first volume May 19. Volume 2 will be a Christmas present.

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The Hills are still alive — for female fans

The fifth season premiere of MTV reality show The Hills had the highest TV ratings among females aged 12-24 and 18-24. The back-to-back episodes averaged three million viewers, down about 15 percent from last season. INTOUCHWEEKLY.COM

Television

Harper's TV and web conquest

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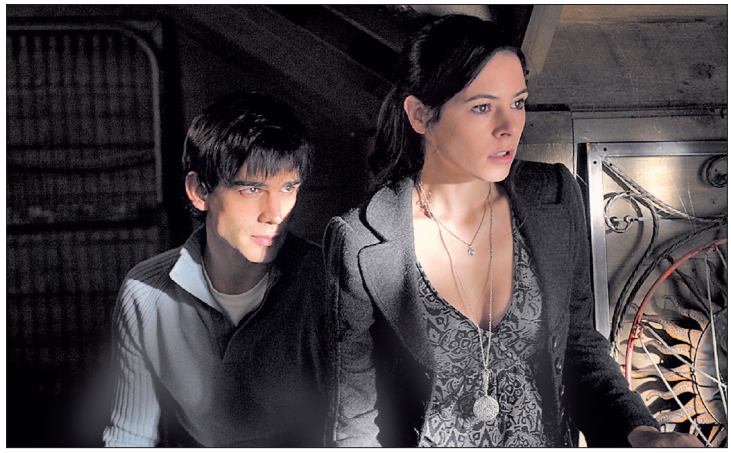
for Metro Canada



Harper's Island characters Henry and Abby look for clues in the attic.

To date, the tension between television and online video can be largely characterized by one adage: Divide and conquer.

Broadcasters affirm television's strength amid declining viewership and advertisement revenue, while online seems to constantly increase its audience, but struggles to find a way to turn those eyes into income.

But the new faction of Harper's Island and Harper's Globe is trying to put that polarity out to pasture, instead considering the battling platforms as separate but equal.

Harper's Island is the 13-week modern murder mystery, following 25 characters that surround a wedding and reunion on the eponymous island. Week by week, one or more characters are killed off the primetime soap-like show, leading to discovery of the murderer by the show's conclusion.

It's supplemented with Harper's Globe, the online "webisode" and social network named for the island newspaper. The online content is different, largely filmed in confessional-style and supported by blogs and interaction by Robin, the new-to-the-island journalist.

"Before Robin came onto the site, viewers were already on there, creating their own profile pages, forming a community and getting to know each other," said Melanie Merkosky, the Calgary actress that plays Robin.

The foray into online video is nothing new for Merkosky, who now calls herself an "online junkie." Before Harper's Globe, she was a leading character on YouTube viral video sensation, lonelygirl15.

"People ... look at (the Internet) as a viable entertainment platform."
Melanie Merkosky

"I do think entertainment is headed towards the Internet and people are now starting to look at it as a viable entertainment platform," said Merkosky.

While she didn't set out to solely act online, she said the intrigue of lonelygirl15 drew her to her subsequent online incarnation. "I was just more intrigued by the idea of both of them."

Unlike lonelygirl15, however, the Harper hybrid must balance the pair of mediums for their respective audiences. While content may be different, Merkosky said the two stories are completely connected.

"The plot lines overlap, the characters criss-cross and it's really bringing two different audiences together. If you're going to start moving toward the trend of doing online programming, I think this is the best way to go because it's still directly related and intertwined with the TV program."

Correlation aside, Merkosky admitted online continues to have a content advantage over television, carrying fewer restrictions than the regulated tube.

"We were allowed to show more and do scarier things than you would see on network TV. There is definitely a campy element to it, like Scream, but it's a lot scarier."

Series premiere

- Harper's Island begins airing Thursday on Global TV.

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		601	562	45	SLC	Skin Deep	Til Debt-Part	X-Weighted "Naomi"		X-Weighted		X-Weighted		ET Canada
		625	548	46	COM	Air Farce	Just for Laughs		Corner Gas	The Simpsons	South Park	VIP	House Party	Daily Show
		294	529	47	TBS	House-Payne	House-Payne	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	*The Out-of-Towners* ★★ (1999, Comedy)		
		600	564	49	H&G	House Hunters	Property Virgin	Holmes in New Orleans		Disaster DIY	Big Amazing	House Hunters	House Hunters	HolmesOrleans
		627	528	50	SPC	Stormworld	Grand Star	Star Trek: Voyager		Ghost Hunters		Chuck (HDTV) (N)		Stargate SG-1
		581	566	53	MTV	Mom & Dad	After	MTV News	Cribs	Taking the Stage		Taking the Stage		MTV Live
		618	524	54	TROP	Vanity Insanity	Inside Hollywood		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Raymond	Family Guy	Married... With	Seinfeld
		522	506	55	HIS	NCIS "Angel of Death"		Ancient Discoveries		Go Deep "Wired Sharks"		NCIS "Angel of Death"		Sea Hunters
		129	773	60	CD	Biographies "Hugo Girard"		Les Procureurs		Motards hors-la-loi (HDTV)		Histoires de crimes (HDTV)		Les Moments
		261	394	61	V	Murder, She Wrote		Wait for God	'Allo, 'Allo!	*Demetrius and the Gladiators* ★★★ (1954, Historical Drama)				About Mary
		602	567	62	W	Will & Grace	Friends	Divine Design	House	Confidential	Save Us-House	Divine Design	Love It-List It	House
		269	350	70	APTN	Warriors: TKO	Wapos Bay	By the Rapids	renegadepress	*Black Cloud* ★★ (2005, Drama) Eddie Spears, Julia Jones.				MYTV
		621	527	71	TLK	The Ellen DeGeneres Show		TMZ (N)	etalk	American Idol Extra (N)		The Tonight Show-Jay Leno		TMZ
		603	561	95	FN	Chef at Home	Exotic	Restaurant Makeover		Chef Jeff Project (N)		Ace of Cakes	Ace of Cakes	Chef Abroad

critics'corner

To Build a Nation
One of Canada's proudest moments in the First World War occurred 92 years ago today, when the Canadian Corps captured Vimy Ridge from the Germans in just one day. A few years later, Vimy Ridge became home to a monument, designed by Toronto sculptor Walter Allward, honoring all the Canadian soldiers lost in the war. The construction of that monument is the subject of "Vimy: Carved in Stone." 7 PM on 2 TVO

Doc Zone
The two-hour documentary "Air India 182" recalls the 1985 airliner explosion that claimed the lives of 329 people, most of them Canadian. It covers the events leading up to the bombing, as well as the subsequent investigation and trial of a bomb maker, using dramatic re-creations, inquiry transcripts and interviews with family members of those who perished. 8 PM on 8 CBC

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Nickelodeon steps up live-action

Nickelodeon has green-lighted pilots for two live-action comedies — one about a pair of taco-loving, wave-chasing surfers and the other a show (from Conan O'Brien's production company) about three telepathic high-schoolers. REUTERS

Television

Leno brings comic relief to Motor City

In a nod to the gloomy economy, late-night comedian Jay Leno hosted a show Tuesday to lift the battered spirits of Detroit residents facing steep unemployment and a faltering auto industry.

The host of NBC's The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, a celebrated car buff, presented a "comedy stimulus plan" to a packed house at a suburban Detroit arena that is home to the Detroit Pistons professional basketball team.

"The idea is just come on down, hopefully forget your troubles for a while, other people are in the same boat as you are and maybe take some of the weight off, that's all," Leno told reporters beforehand.

Introduced by hometown hero Kid Rock, Leno launched into an 80-minute monologue aimed at anyone and anything from U.S. presidents to air travel and life in Los Angeles.

He riffed on cars, the price of gasoline and ads for brands like Jaguar and Lexus, but steered clear of Detroit, or the struggling U.S. carmakers, as a butt of his jokes.

Leno thanked union members, whose parents and grandparents "created the middle class in America" and told a roaring audience, "God bless Detroit."

"It's bad, but it's not that bad. Things will turn around, they have before." he said.

The arena was set up for about 15,000 seats, and all the tickets were distributed for shows on Tuesday and Wednesday. Parking and soft drinks were free, and other items were discounted as sponsors chipped in to offset the costs.

Detroit was hard hit by the auto industry's troubles and crumbling housing prices even before the latest economic downturn that has pushed U.S. unemployment to 25-year highs.

Michigan's unemployment rate was 12 per cent in February, compared with what was a 25-year-high 8.1 per cent U.S. rate. Rates are much higher in some areas. In Detroit, the jobless rate hit an unadjusted 22.8 per cent in February.

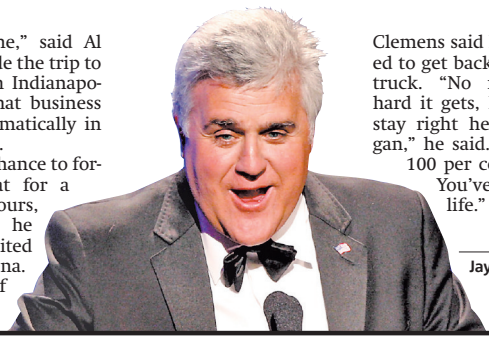
Thousands of fans waited patiently to see the show, which Leno said was aimed at cheering up anyone down on their luck.

Leno's show was planned long before U.S. President Barack Obama rejected turnaround plans from General Motors Corp. and Chrysler at the end of March.

"We are just here for a very good time," said Al Held, who made the trip to Michigan from Indianapolis and said that business was down dramatically in recent months.

"It is just a chance to forget about that for a couple of hours, and freeze," he said as he waited outside the arena.

A.J. Frantz of Mount Clemens said he just wanted to get back to driving a truck. "No matter how hard it gets, I'm going to stay right here in Michigan," he said. "I'm a pure 100 per cent optimist. You've got to love life." REUTERS



Jay Leno

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Daytime Emmys go to CW

AWARDS The Daytime Emmy Awards have found a home on the CW.

The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) has inked a deal with the network to broadcast this year's ceremony Aug. 30 from the Orpheum Theatre in Los Angeles.

That's two months later than usual for the ceremony and coincides with the CW's fall schedule rollout.

This marks the first time the awards show will air on a non-Big Three network.

The ceremony will honour PBS' Sesame Street with a lifetime achievement award for "40 years of educational television." REUTERS

Emmy hot potato

• NATAS approached the CW after CBS, which had alternated with ABC in carrying the event, declined to renew its contract. ABC also passed, saying it was not prepared to broadcast the ceremony two years in a row.

A&E on hunt for Fugitive

DOCUDRAMA After building a reality brand with series such as Intervention and venturing into scripted drama with The Cleaner, A&E is blending the two genres with The Fugitive Chronicles, a new hybrid docudrama series.

The show will chronicle some of the most compelling fugitive captures of the past 20 years, telling the stories from the perspective of both the hunter and the hunted.

At the heart of each episode will be a cinematic reconstruction of the events in a style similar to the verite technique.

The re-enactments will be based on interviews with law enforcement agents involved in the chases, snippets of which will be featured.

The point of view of the fugitives will be represented mostly though interrogation tapes and court transcripts, and from correspondence through the criminals — most of whom are still in jail. The nine-episode series is expected to premiere this year. REUTERS

OT	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
4/10/09 primetime	265	353	2 TVO	India with Sanjeev Bhaskar		The Agenda With Steve Paikin		Heartbeat		Allan Gregg	Film 101	Agenda-Paikin
	211	331	3 GTV	Malcolm-Mid.	Entertainment	Howie Do It (N)	Howie Do It (N)	(9:01) Dollhouse (N)		NUMB3RS (HDTV) (N)		News
	209	342	6 CHRO	Instant Star	TMZ (N)	Sarah Connor Chronicles		(9:01) Supernanny (N)		Whistler (DVS)		Comedy Now
	196	311	7 CTV	Hollywood	etalk	Ghost Whisperer (N)		Flashpoint (HDTV) (N)		Spectacle: Elvis		News (N)
	208	303	8 CBC	Coronation St.	Jeopardy! (N)	Rick Mercer	Marketplace	CBC News: the fifth estate (N)		CBC News: The National		The Hour
	-	360	9 NBC	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Howie Do It (N)	Howie Do It (N)	Friday Night Lights (N)		Dateline NBC (N)		News (N)
	-	362	13 CBS	Dr. Phil (HDTV)		Ghost Whisperer (N)		Flashpoint (HDTV) (N)		NUMB3RS (HDTV) (N)		Two/Half Men
	216	395	14 OMN2	Tongues: History Language		News (N)		News (N)		Two/Half Men	King	Cold Case
	214	344	15 CITY	Law & Order: SVU		Mantracker (DVS)		Departures		Out There	Out There	News (N)
	218	345	18 E!	The Insider (N)	E News	Are You Smarter		Friday Night Lights (N)		20/20 (HDTV) (N)		News (N)
	-	361	20 ABC	News (N)	Entertainment	Wife Swap		Supernanny (N)		20/20 (HDTV) (N)		News (N)
	-	365	36 FOX	TMZ (N)	Seinfeld	Sarah Connor Chronicles		(9:01) Dollhouse (N)		News (N)		News
cable variety	500	500	33 CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown: No Bias		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)		
sports	406	417	27 net	Sportsnet Connected		Boys to the Bigs		MLB Season Preview (HDTV)		Sportsnet Connected		Hockey Central
	126	730	28 RDI	24 Heures en 60 minutes		Les Grands reportages		Le Téléjournal	RDI en direct	24 Heures en 60 minutes		Le Téléjournal
	400	280	30 TSN	Golf: Masters	Curling 2009 Ford World Men's Championship Page Playoffs. From Moncton, N.B. (Live)					SportsCentre		
family	554	544	48 TEL	Totally Spies	Total Drama	6TEEN	6TEEN	Futurama	Mars Attacks! ★★ (1996, Comedy) Jack Nicholson.			
	557	540	51 FAM	Sonny Chance	Camp Rock (2008, Musical Comedy)			(9:05) Smart House (1999, Comedy)			My Favorite Martian ★★	
	551	542	65 YTV	Lovewrecked (2006, Adventure) Amanda Bynes.				Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Family Biz	Adrenaline Proj	Mystery Hnt.
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	CSI: Miami "Born to Kill"		CSI: Miami		CSI: Miami		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		Criminal Minds
	628	584	32 SPKE	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		Deadliest Warrior (HDTV)		Shocking Moments		Shocking
	616	521	39 SHO	Men With Brooms ★★ (2002, Comedy) Paul Gross.				Trailer Park Boys: The Movie ★ (2006, Comedy)				American Pie 2
	520	505	42 DIS	Daily Planet (N)		Heli-Loggers (N)		Man vs. Wild		Forensic Factor (N)		Daily Planet
	581	566	53 MTV	4REAL	Hills Live	Made Hip hop dancer.		Nitro Circus	Fantasy Fact.	Fantasy Fact.	Nitro Circus	MTV Live
	522	506	55 HIS	Inside the Vietnam War		Inside the Vietnam War		Saving Private Ryan ★★★★ (1998, War) Tom Hanks, Edward Burns.				
	603	561	95 FN	Chef at Home	Fresh-Anna	ThirstyTraveler	ThirstyTraveler	Bobby Flay	Dinner Imposs.	Diner, Drive-In	Diner, Drive-In	Ramsay Kitchn

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4/11/09 primetime	265	353	2 TVO	Emperors of the Ice		My Sister Eileen ★★ (1955, Musical Comedy)			Interviews	(10:10) Sweet Charity (1969, Musical)		
	211	331	3 GTV	ET Canada	Masterminds	Triage: Dr. James Orbinski		Doc		Doc		News (N)
	209	342	6 CHRO	The Road to Avonlea		The Interrogation of Michael Crowe (2002, Docudrama)				Comedy Now	Comedy Now	Arts & Minds
	196	311	7 CTV	W-FIVE Presents: Gridlock		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		Without a Trace (HDTV)		Law & Order (HDTV)		News (N)
	208	303	8 CBC	NHL Hockey: Regional Coverage -- Senators at Maple Leafs or Penguins at Canadiens						NHL Hockey: Oilers at Flames		
	-	360	9 NBC	St. Jude's Children's Hospital		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Southland "Pilot" (HDTV)		Law & Order (HDTV)		News (N)
	-	362	13 CBS	Paid Program	The Insider (N)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		Without a Trace (HDTV)		48 Hours Mystery (N)		CSI: NY
	216	395	14 OMN2	Chinese Rest.	Trendy Zone	Assembly (2007, Drama)				Omni News: Mandarin		Chinese Rest.
	214	344	15 CITY	Without a Trace		Murdoch Mysteries		Framed for Murder (2007, Drama) Elisa Donovan. (DVS)				News (N)
	218	345	18 E!	Family	E News	A Daughter's Conviction (2006, Mystery) Brooke Nevin.				Show Yours	G-Spot	News (N)
	-	361	20 ABC	The Ten Commandments ★★★ (1956, Historical Drama) Charlton Heston, Yul Brynner, Edward G. Robinson.								
	-	365	36 FOX	News (N)	Seinfeld	Cops	Cops (N)	America's Most Wanted		News (N)		MADtv
cable variety	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		Campbell Brown: No Bias		Larry King Live		D.L. Hughley Breaks the News		Brown-No Bias
sports	406	417	27 net	English Premier League Soccer Teams TBA.				The Ultimate Fighter		PartyPoker.net World Open IV		Sportsnet Con.
	126	730	28 RDI	Le Journal RDI	Humanima	Découverte (SC)		Le Téléjournal	Les Grands reportages	La Facture		Le Téléjournal
	400	280	30 TSN	Poker	Golf The Masters -- Third Round. From Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga.					SportsCentre		
family	554	544	48 TEL	All Dogs Go to Heaven ★★ (1989, Fantasy), Daryl Gilley				Futurama	Robot Chicken	Clone High	Rick & Steve	Moral Orel
	557	540	51 FAM	That's-Raven	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	Jumanji ★★ (1995, Fantasy)			(10:44) Superman (1978)	
	551	542	65 YTV	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	The Karate Kid, Part Two ★★ (1986, Action) Ralph Macchio.					Bleach	Mystery Hnt.
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	(4) Wyatt Earp (1994)		Independence Day ★★★ (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman. Premiere.						CSI: Miami
	628	584	32 SPKE	UFC Unleashed		UFC Unleashed		Ultimate Fighting Championship 94: St. Pierre vs. Penn 2 (HDTV) (N)				
	616	521	39 SHO	Mutant X		Cleaverville (2007, Suspense) Ever Carradine.				Mr. & Mrs. Smith ★★ (2005, Action)		
	520	505	42 DIS	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	The Detonators		Destroyed	Time Warp	Criss Angel	Criss Angel	Guinea Pig
	581	566	53 MTV	MTV Live	After	Made Hip hop dancer.		MTV News	After	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs
	522	506	55 HIS	NCIS "Driven"		Crime Stories		Spy Game ★★ (2001, Suspense) Robert Redford, Brad Pitt. Premiere.				
	603	561	95 FN	Work for Food	Glutton-Punish.	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares		Ultimate Recipe Showdown		Hell's Kitchen		The F Word

OT	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
4/12/09 primetime	265	353	2 TVO	Life in Cold Blood		Lost in Austen		Mansfield Park (2007, Drama) Billie Piper.			(10:35) The View From Here	
	211	331	3 GTV	16:9 Picture	King of the Hill	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy	American Dad	The Unit "Whiplash" (N)		News
	209	342	6 CHRO	Funniest Home Videos		Gossip Girl (HDTV)		Cold Case (HDTV) (N)		Medium (HDTV) (N)		Look-A-Like
	196	311	7 CTV	Star Wars Clo.	Degrassi: TNG	The Amazing Race 14		Southland "Pilot" (HDTV)		The Mentalist (HDTV)		News (N)
	208	303	8 CBC	Test the Nation: Sports				Diamonds (2009, Drama) James Purefoy, Derek Jacobi.				CBC News
	-	360	9 NBC	Dateline NBC				The Celebrity Apprentice (N)				News (N)
	-	362	13 CBS	60 Minutes		The Amazing Race 14		Cold Case (HDTV) (N)		The Unit "Whiplash" (N)		CSI: NY
	216	395	14 OMN2	Losing My Religion		Aaram	Arirang Korea	Word for Word	Trendy Zone	Doctors With Borders		Of Blessings
	214	344	15 CITY	Two/Half Men	Hates Chris	Kings		Rock of Love Bus		Crusoe (HDTV) (DVS)		News (N)
	218	345	18 E!	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "Kadzis Family" (N)				The Celebrity Apprentice (N)				News (N)
	-	361	20 ABC	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "Kadzis Family" (N)				Desperate Housewives		News (N)
	-	365	36 FOX	American Dad	King of the Hill	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy	American Dad	News (N)		Sportsworks
cable variety	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		State of the Union		Larry King Live		Newsroom		State of Union
sports	406	417	27 net	World Sport	Week-Baseball	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee Brewers. From Miller Park in Milwaukee.						Sportsnet Con.
	126	730	28 RDI	Le Journal RDI	Marie-Claude	Grands reportages (SC)		Le Téléjournal	Les Coulisses du pouvoir		Regard	Le Téléjournal
	400	280	30 TSN	(6:30) Curling 2009 Ford World Men's Championship Final. From Moncton, N.B. (Live)						SportsCentre		Golf: Masters
family	554	544	48 TEL	Jimmy Two	Totally Spies	6TEEN	6TEEN	Futurama	Punch	Life's a Zoo	Life's a Zoo	Rick & Steve
	557	540	51 FAM	That's-Raven	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	Only You ★★ (1994, Romance-Comedy) Marisa Tomei.				The Mighty
	551	542	65 YTV	(6) Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory			Easter Beagle	In Real Life		Adrenaline Proj	Survive This	Mystery Hnt.
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		The Sopranos (HDTV)		The Sopranos
	628	584	32 SPKE	Prisoners Out of Control		Riots: Mobs Out of Control		World's Scariest Police Stings		Deadliest Warrior (HDTV)		MANswers
	616	521	39 SHO	The Guard (HDTV)		The Haunting of Sorority Row (2007, Drama) Leighton Meester.				Damages Patty goes to extremes.		
	520	505	42 DIS	Stephen Hawking-Theory		Who Sank the Titanic (N)			Time Warp (N)	MythBusters		A. Bourdain
	581	566	53 MTV	Made Hip hop dancer.		Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	After
	522	506	55 HIS	NCIS "Suspicion"		Carlos the Jackal		The Jackal ★★ (1997, Suspense) Bruce Willis, Richard Gere.				
	603	561	95 FN	The Next Iron Chef		100 Mile Challenge		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef Am.

Whoops! We made a mistake

In yesterday's Metro, unfortunately an incomplete recipe appeared from Barb Holland for Hot Cross Buns. Please visit metronews.ca/food for the full recipe. Metro apologizes for the error. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Going Out

Mix of Six

Amos The Transparent

When: Thursday, 8 p.m.
Where: Club Saw, 67 Nicholas St.

Ottawa's newest boutique animation studio shows off a new Amos the Transparent video and a performance by the band.

The Ballymore Reel

When: Thursday through April 18, 8 p.m.
Where: Arts Court Theatre, 2 Daly Ave.

The heartwarming and humorous story of three generations of women is told in Greg Finnegan's play.

Fuzzy Bunny Slaughterhouse

When: Sunday, 9 p.m.
Where: The Rainbow, 76 Murray St.

Celebrate an unconvental Easter with Fuzzy Bunny Slaughterhouse's CD release party. Special guest Dressed to Klown.

Buck65

When: Sunday, 4 p.m.
Where: The Black Sheep Inn, 420 Riverside Dr., Wakefield

Richard Terfry, the captivating wordsmith better known as Buck65 plays an afternoon show with special guest Ryan McGrath. Tickets $20.

Water

When: Thursday through May 17
Where: Cube Gallery, 7 Hamilton Ave. N

Discover what water means through the eyes of 11 exhibiting artists, including Victoria Wonnacott. Visit cubegallery.ca.

The Mahones

When: Friday, 9 p.m.
Where: Zaphod Beeblebrox, 27 York St.

The famed Irish punk party band makes a stop in Ottawa, with guests The Cellartones. Tickets $10 through ticketweb.ca.

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 The final episode of Corner Gas

TV The fictional town of Dog River and its quirky residents will bid goodbye to TV viewers April 13, the day when CTV airs the final episode of the popular Canadian sitcom created by Brent Butt (pictured, right). In tribute, Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall has declared the fateful Monday 'Corner Gas Day.'

2 My Flow So Tight: Smoke Jumpers

SONG Who can resist a little Chris Brown-bashing these days? This song, featuring the repeated line "Chris Brown should get his ass kicked," is getting heavy airplay on major radio stations across the U.S. The hip hop group's website is hyping the tune as "the official Chris Brown dis record."

3 Writing iPhone applications

BUSINESS As jobs start to dry up, software experts are trying to byte off a bit of this Apple pie. The formula's simple: write an application for the ubiquitous gadget, put it on sale on the software company's online store, and wait for consumers to get hooked on to your product. According to a recent New York Times article, many coding nerds are making enough cash from sales to quit their jobs, even in times like these.

4 Job pitches on TV

TREND Resumes are so pre-recession. The New England Job Show, a new Massachusetts-based public cable access production, is now allowing hungry job seekers to record 30-second commercials, where they pitch themselves to prospective employers.

5 Miroir Noir

DVD Hipsters, take notice. Canada's indie demigods Arcade Fire have released a new DVD chronicling the recording of their second album Neon Bible and performances from the subsequent tour. The website Pitchfork.tv is currently streaming the 70-minute documentary.

6 Observe and Report

FILM Seth Rogen sheds the image of the lovable, pot-smoking, slightly overweight dude for an edgier persona in this Jody Hill-helmed film. The Canadian actor plays a mall security guard with bipolar disorder who takes it upon himself to protect his territory and the girl of dreams (Anna Faris), from a flasher.

7 Kal Penn

ACTOR Harold and Kumar go to White House? Kind of. The Barack Obama administration has hired Kal Penn, the actor who shot to fame playing a slacker in the Harold and Kumar series, to help the U.S. president connect with Asian-American communities.

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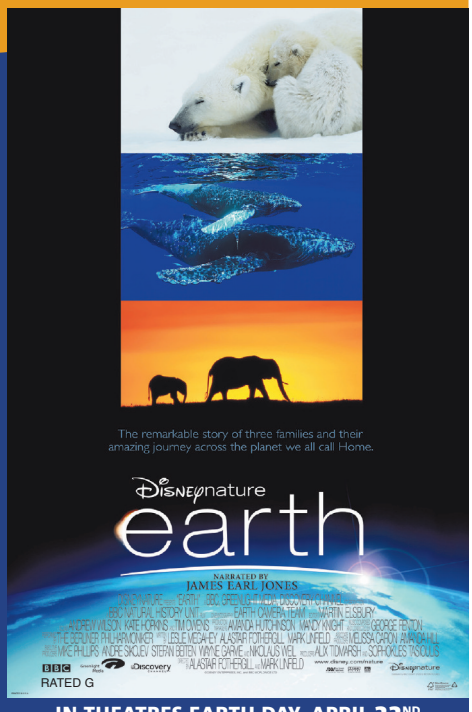

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Actors released from Saudi prison

A group of TV actors in Saudi Arabia has been released from prison after being arrested for mixing with members of the opposite sex.

The actors, stars of the Saudi TV series Ayyamu Al Surab (The Mirage Days), were filming in a hotel lobby in the capital city of Riyadh when they came to the attention of the religious police, who prohibit the mixing of men and women in public. They were arrested March 30.

The actors were released without charge after signing an agreement not to film in a mixed-gender group in public again. Saudi Arabia has strict laws governing the mixing of unrelated men and women.

The actors, who include Omani star Ebrahim Al Zidjali as well as Saudi actors Ali Saad and Fawaz Al Jaser and actress Sahar, are well known in the region.

"Although it's not that common, it happens, and the religious police do it to show they have power," said one Saudi media and political consultant who wished to remain anonymous. "Many TV series are filmed across Saudi Arabia, and sometimes the police will make a raid to show their upper hand. But in this case, the TV series had the correct permission to film, so it was against the rules for the police to intervene."

Saudi's religious police, the Commission for Promotion of Virtue and Prevention of Vice (CPVPV), consists of officers who follow a shifting set of moral and quasi-legal laws. They have divided a society that is part forward-thinking and progressive, and part rooted in a strict, literal interpretation of Islamic law.

> **"Many TV series are filmed across Saudi Arabia, and sometimes the police will make a raid to show their upper hand. "**
> Saudi media and political consultant

"The backlash online has been massive. It's negative to Saudi and Saudi cinema," the consultant said, adding that actors and filmmakers in Saudi Arabia struggle to be creative under draconian laws. "(The arrests) will only be counterproductive."

There has been vocal debate in the kingdom in recent years, with reformers pushing for change. King Abdullah replaced the country's religious police leader with a more progressive leader, but incidents like this may be perceived as a setback to a country that has recently begun to open itself up to tourists from the West.

Turki al Rwaita, a film editor and cameraman working for Saudi-based Talashi film group, said the arrests will not have a long-lasting effect on local media law as arrests like these are commonplace and filmmakers learn to work around them.

"Three weeks ago, I was shooting with a female director in the street and the police came up to us and were asking if she is my sister or wife, because it is not allowed to be with a woman you (aren't directly related to). Then they let us go. You have to be careful."

There are still no cinemas in Saudi Arabia. DVDs and television are the only outlets, and people gather in private homes for film screenings.

Saudi moral law is guarded with ferocious piety by the CPVPV, who will harangue women in the street for exposing even a centimeter of ankle flesh.

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Tracey Ullman honoured
The British Academy of Film and Television Arts/Los Angeles will honour Tracey Ullman with its first BAFTA/LA Charlie Chaplin Lifetime Achievement Award for Comedy. The award will be presented May 8. REUTERS

Entertainment

Junior Boys go the distance

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
For Metro Canada

Recording an album when your bandmate lives across an ocean from you can be tricky, but if you're as determined as Hamiltonian-based band The Junior Boys, distance is no obstacle to creating good music.

To record their new disc, Begone Dull Care, the electro duo, which features Jeremy Greenspan and Matt Didemus, didn't share MP3s via email. Instead they laid down tracks the old fashioned way, by traveling between Hamilton and Berlin — where Didemus lives — to work on music face to face.

"I wasn't interested in doing that whole sending things off," says Greenspan. "We're big believers that the equipment and conditions all play a central role in where music is going to go. For us patching things together through MSN doesn't seem exciting."

That being said, the twosome did write things independent of one another, so it wasn't like they were racking up long distance charges discussing each musical move. That separation, says Greenspan, is another reason why trading emails didn't make sense for them. "Because of that impendence it was even more important that we didn't swap files," he says.

While they might have produced a solid album if they had just sent each other MP3s, after listening to the album, which is based around the films of Canadian filmmaker Normal McLaren, it's easy to see why they had to write this together. The disc is easily their most meticulous record of their career, though, Greenspan says, they tried to make it sound spontaneous.

In the end the band created a spare, yet upbeat collection of airy tunes, layered with electro sounds and, in a few cases, '80s grooves.

Begone Dull Care the new album from The Junior Boys (Jeremy Greenspan, left, and Matt Didemus) is now available in stores.

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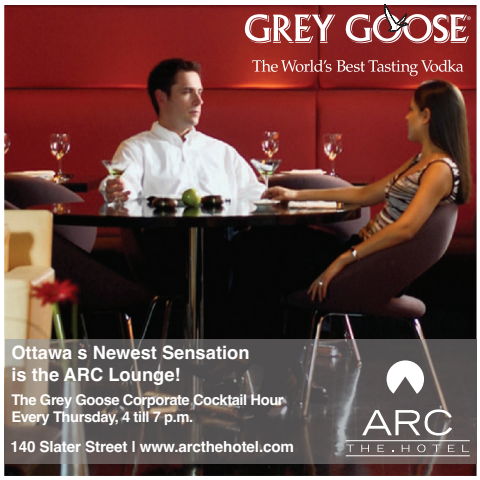


Rumours shot down

Anne Hathaway will not be working with Marc Jacobs, despite rumours circulating this week that she will star in his latest ad campaign, femalefirst.co.uk says. Reports had been rife that she would become the designer's muse. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Madonna sent funds to Italy

DONATION When a devastating earthquake struck the Abruzzo region of Italy on Monday, the mayor of the hamlet of Pacentro made an appeal for help to the granddaughter of two former townspeople, people.com.

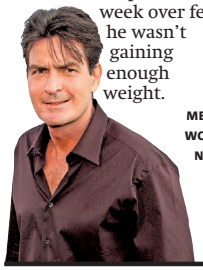
Madonna, whose paternal grandparents lived in Pacentro until 1919, made a "substantial donation" for the relief effort following the 6.3 magnitude quake that left more than 200 dead, says her publicist Liz Rosenberg. The rep wouldn't give the amount, but a source says it's about $500,000.

"I am happy to lend a helping hand to the town that my ancestors are from," Madonna tells People. "My heart goes out to the families that have lost loved ones or their homes."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Sheen's son back from hospital

HEALTH Charlie Sheen's baby son Max has been released from hospital after battling weight issues, femalefirst.co.uk reports. Max and his twin brother Bob were born two weeks premature and the tot was admitted to a Los Angeles-area hospital last week over fears he wasn't gaining enough weight.



METRO WORLD NEWS

Tears, humiliation follow split

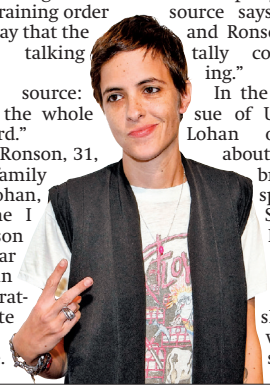
DRAMA Samantha Ronson may have split from Lindsay Lohan, but she doesn't need help from the law to keep them apart, people.com reports.

The Beverly Hills cops confirmed that Ronson's family members asked about a restraining order following the couple's recent breakup. But Ronson's attorney, David Bass, tells People: "Samantha has no plan to request a restraining order. There is no basis for one."

And a source close to the deejay offers this spin: "Sam does not want a restraining order against Lindsay Lohan. Sam had nothing to do with the restraining order against Lindsay that the police are talking about."

Adds the source: "She thinks the whole thing is absurd."

On Friday, Ronson, 31, and her family blocked Lohan, 22, from the I Heart Ronson bash at Bar Marmont, an event celebrating Charlotte Ronson's clothing line.



Though Lohan was banned from the party, another source says that she and Ronson "are totally communicating."

In the newest issue of Us Weekly, Lohan opens up about her heartbreaking split from Samantha Ronson, the "humiliating" weekend showdown with Ronson's family, and says that friends' fears she is suicidal are unfounded.

"It's absolute hell," Lohan told Us on Monday in a far-ranging interview over several lengthy phone calls and emails where she was agitated, crying and baffled by the turn of events.

Lohan says she's "so alone" without Ronson, the magazine adds.

"Everyone's turned on me," says the actress. She tells the magazine that the night of the Chateau showdown, Nicole Richie walked by her and said, "Uck."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Halle happiest at home

PEOPLE Halle Berry has several reasons to stay at home: A one-year-old baby, a hot boyfriend and celebrity that makes being in public uncomfortable, people.com reports.

Admitting her guiltiest pleasure to May's Harper's Bazaar, the Oscar winner, 42, says her current addiction is "very boring, but I buy baby clothes online. Nahla can't wear all the clothes I've bought, and we don't go anywhere because I can't deal with the paparazzi."

On the overstuffed closets for the baby, boyfriend Gabriel Aubrey is sympathetic — though only up to a point.

"Gabriel's always like, 'She doesn't even leave the house! Halle, you've got to stop,'" says Berry.

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Still, he clearly has other advantages, and they're helping keep Berry at home, too. "I have a 33-year-old man. That'll keep your mojo mojo in," she declares.

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Pam thrilled with new beau

RELATIONSHIPS Pamela Anderson is getting cozy with her latest boyfriend, scuba diver Jamie Padgett — and her kids approve.

"They just like that mommy's happy. They're happy, mommy's happy, we're all happy," Anderson told Hollyscoop.

But is a fourth walk down the aisle in the cards for the actress? Apparently her friend, Heatherette designer Ritchie Rich, is ready just in case.

"He's designed a few" wedding dresses for the potential occasion," Anderson added.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Jess dropped by label

CAREER Jessica Simpson has been dropped by her record label, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The star's short-lived career as a country artist could be over as it has been confirmed she is no longer represented by Sony Nashville.

A representative for Jessica, 28, insists the arrangement with the company was only temporary and will now focus her attentions on pop.

The spokesperson said: "She was on loan to Sony Nashville for her country album. She is and has always been an Epic artist and continues to be on Epic's label."

Although Jessica's relaunch as a country artist in 2008 was controversial — particularly among the genre's traditionalists, who didn't like her pop star past — her album Do You Know reached number one in the U.S. country charts and sold over 100,000 copies.

She was booed at her first country music concert last July, snubbed from the Country Music Association Awards in November and was heavily criticized while supporting Rascal Flatts earlier this year.

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Saturday: Variable 8° / -3°

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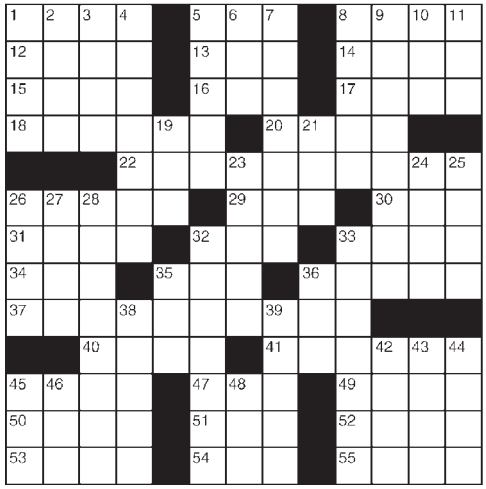

Crossword across

1 Satan's minions
5 Portion of N.A.
8 Relinquish
12 "Arrivederci"
13 Island souvenir
14 Graph line
15 Vivacity
16 Pitch
17 Supermarket supply
18 Constant sufferer
20 Do laps in the pool
22 Irreligiousness
26 Pivots
29 Plagiarize
30 "The Matrix" role
31 Round of applause
32 "Holy mackerel!"
33 Cribbage scorers
34 Scratch (out)
35 Guy's partner
36 Tapestry
37 Staff addition
40 Mother of Don Juan
41 Pollen-producing organ
45 Nix a bill
47 Hooter
49 Pop flavour
50 Detail
51 Born
52 Centres
53 Put together
54 Mag. staffers
55 "OK"

Crossword down

1 SALT subject
2 Actress Sorvino
3 Twosome
4 Allayed
5 Extreme
6 Vast expanse
7 Blue Angels' performance
8 Woodsy home
9 San Francisco newspaper
10 Delve
11 Curvy character
19 "Indeed"
21 Symbol of intrigue
23 Billy Goats Gruff foe
24 Nintendo rival
25 Velvety forest growth
26 Writer Silverstein
27 Huron, for one
28 Like a first draft
32 Where the action is?
33 Didactic
35 "Golly!"
36 Pismire
38 Travelocity mascot
39 NYC hockey team, for short
42 Grimace
43 Napoleon's exile site
44 Doggerelist Ogden
45 Energy
46 Greek H
48 Marry

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

8	6			3		7		2
		4						6
5					2		9	
		5	4		3			
7				9				5
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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

7	1	6	9	3	2	8	5	4
3	2	5	8	4	1	9	6	7
9	4	8	5	6	7	2	3	1
5	7	4	6	1	9	3	2	8
2	8	1	3	5	4	6	7	9
6	3	9	2	7	8	1	4	5
4	9	7	1	2	6	5	8	3
1	5	2	4	8	3	7	9	6
8	6	3	7	9	5	4	1	2

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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 min .....Genius
13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min.....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

Baltimore Seafood Cakes

INGREDIENTS:

2 slices dry bread
1/2 cup (125 ml) milk
2 cans (4 oz/120 g) fresh crab meat
1/2 lb (250 g) peeled, cooked shrimp
2 large eggs
2 tsp (10 ml) Dijon mustard
1 tbsp (15 ml) Worcestershire sauce
1/2 cup (125 ml) ground almonds
A large pinch of cayenne pepper
1 tbsp (15 ml) mayonnaise
A handful of fresh parsley

COATING:

1/3 cup (75 ml) all-purpose flour
1 1/2 cups (375 ml) dried breadcrumbs
Canola oil for frying

METHOD:

1. Soak both slices of bread in milk 5 minutes. Flake crab meat, put into a bowl, chop shrimp and add to the crab.
2. Separate eggs and set whites aside. Add yolks, mustard, Worcestershire sauce, almonds, cayenne and mayonnaise to crab. Rinse, dry and chop enough parsley for 1 tbsp (15 ml) and add to bowl.
3. Squeeze bread dry, add to crab and stir until soft but not sloppy: add some breadcrumbs if mixture is too moist.
4. For coating: put flour onto one plate and breadcrumbs onto another. Whisk 1 tbsp (15 ml) water into egg whites. Divide crab mixture into eight portions and shape into cakes. Dip into flour, shake off excess, then dip into egg whites and coat with breadcrumbs.
5. Heat 1/2 in. (1 cm) oil in large frying pan over fairly high heat. Fry fish cakes 2–3 minutes per side until crisp and golden, then drain on paper towels and serve two per person.

SERVES 4

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Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Money-making leads to troublemaking. An intolerant loser makes a new rule. Hope fades when too much is at stake.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
A dealer thinks that sticking to the facts is irrational. A power surge breaks someone down. Predictability lets you make corrections.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
It's too late to repair certain things. Apply yourself to more enlightening matters. Problems cause a commotion and life continues.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Great expectations generate a unique opportunity. A cheater creates upheaval by refusing to be amusing. Don't run with scissors in hand.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
A crook doesn't have the answer you need. A good mood will heal a touchy-feely person. A loner develops the ability to communicate.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
A manager makes a reasonable choice. A free spirited person insists on sharing things. A champion has a problem with conforming.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
A wise man wants to relocate. Ruthlessness can't be ignored. Learn to speak softly if you wish to be convincing.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
Be candid to boost your personal appeal. Others should respect your hard work. A small but pushy guy makes a difference.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
Don't stay too late with a friend. A stubborn traitor takes on a starring role. Developing your skills takes up time.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
An alienated friend thinks you look worried. You'll meet a stranger who bores you to tears. Refuse to comply with unfair orders.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
You'll bravely face a stressful situation. Good fortune produces stability. Include an intriguing person in your fun.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Family members create unpredictable anxiety. Poverty wastes a woman's good humour. Discouraged people seem to be utterly ridiculous.

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